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IT'S ED'S TURN TO QUESTION TEJASHWI

RJD leader and Bihar Deputy Chief Minister Tejashwi Yadav (pic) arriving at the Enforcement Directorate's office on Tuesday in connection with the land-for-jobs scam his family is allegedly involved in. He was questioned for about nine hours. The agency recorded his statement under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act. Last month, the CBI had questioned him in the same case | PTI | P9

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189 in BJP's 1st list, Somanna to take on Siddu

52 new faces included; Ashoka pitted against DKS in Kanakapura; CM sticks to Shiggaon

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ New Delhi/Bengaluru

AFTER holding hectic consultations for several days, the ruling BJP late Tuesday night announced its first list of 189 candidates with 52 new faces, two days before the nomination process is scheduled to start on Thursday. The second list is expected in a day or two. In a bid to make the fight tough for the Congress' chief ministerial aspirants, the BJP has fielded Revenue Minister R Ashoka against KPCC president DK Shivakumar in the latter's pocketborough Kanakapura and Housing Minister V Somanna against former CM Siddaramaiah in Varuna, which the Congress considers a "safe" seat.

Ashoka will also contest from his Padmanabhanagar constituency in Bengaluru, while Somanna from Chamarajnagar.

"In the last elections, Siddaramaiah won by a narrow margin (in Badami against B Sriramulu) and this time we are 100% sure of defeating him," BJP national general secretary Arun Singh said while releasing the first list in Delhi.

Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai will be seeking reelection from his home constituency Shiggaon in Haveri district. Former CM BS Yediyurappa's son BY Vijayendra will be contesting from Shikaripura which was represented by the party's Lingayat strongman for nearly four decades. Former IPS officer Bhaskar Rao, who recently switched from AAP to BJP, will contest from Chamarajpet in Bengaluru. He will take on Congress's Zameer Ahmed Khan. Former IAS officer Anil Kumar will contest against former DyCM G Paremeshwara in Koratagere in Tumakuru district. The party is fielding 52 new faces to overcome the anti-incumbency factor, while also retaining most of the heavyweights, including "turncoats" who had helped BJP form its government in 2019.

Fisheries minister and seven-time MLA S Angara has been dropped and has been replaced by newbie Bhagirathi Murulya, a former zilla panchayat member. In all, five sitting MLAs have been dropped in Dakshina Kannada and Udupi districts.

The party, which is also banking on the recently announced reservation policy, is fielding 30 from SCs, 16 from STs, and 32 from OBCs. Singh and Union Minister and Karnataka election in-charge for BJP, Dharmendra Pradhan, said they had followed a detailed consultation process involving 25,000 party workers right from assembly segments. P4

A LITTLE BIT FOR EVERYONE?

Fresh faces	52
OBCs	32
SCs	30
STs	16
Doctors	9
Post-graduates	31
Academicians	3
IAS	1
IPS	1
Retd govt officials	3
Social activists	8

IN THE FRAY

CONSTITUENCY	CONTESTANT
Shiggaon	Basavaraj Bommai
Nippani	Shashikala Jolle
Ballari (ST)	B Sriramulu
Tirthahalli	Araga Jnanendra
Shikaripur	BY Vijayendra
Chikkamagaluru	CT Ravi
Chikkanayakanahalli	JC Madhu Swamy
Kolar	Varthur Prakash
Kanakapura, Padmanabhanagar	R Ashoka
Varuna, Chamarajanagar	V Somanna

Shettar defies, KSE calls it a day

ASHWINI M SRIPAD @ Bengaluru

UNCERTAINTY prevailed in the state BJP on Tuesday with many senior leaders getting calls from the party high command not to contest the May 10 Assembly elections.

Former CM Jagadish Shettar openly defied the central leadership by rejecting its suggestion not to contest the Assembly elections, while former deputy chief minister KS Eshwarappa announced his retirement from electoral politics. Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai, who held extensive discussions with the central leaders, hinted that many seniors are unlikely to get tickets. Bommai said the Congress has given ticket to 92-year-old Shamanur Shivashankarappa. But this will not happen in BJP. "So far, there was an anti-incumbency wave, but now there is pro-incumbency everywhere," he added. P4

OPPN GIMMICK?

No merger with Amul, says KMF chairman

NAUSHAD BIJAPUR @ Belagavi

AMIDST the raging controversy over reports of a possible merger of KMF (Nandini brand) with Amul, chairman of KMF Balachandra Jarkiholi has clarified that under no circumstances KMF will be merged with Amul.

Hitting out at political leaders, particularly from the Congress, for needlessly raising the issue of Amul and KMF merger to mislead the people, he said, "There is no proposal, whatsoever, for the merger. The KMF will be the first to reject the proposal," he said.

The Opposition parties have made this an issue for political gains ahead of the Assembly elections. "I am sure that this issue will be put to rest by them once the elections are over," he said.

The issue was raised after Union Cooperatives Minister Amit Shah stated in Mandya recently that it would be great if Amul and KMF started working together.

"As KMF chairman, I assure the people and farmers of Karnataka that the federation will never have a tie up with Amul. The statement of Shah has been politicised by Congress leaders. I am wondering as to how a leader of Siddaramaiah's stature could politicise the issue when he is aware that there is no such proposal," Balachandra Jarkiholi said.

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BENGALUREANS STEER CLEAR OF NANDINI VS AMUL ISSUE

With the political tussle over Nandini and Amul boiling over ahead of the Assembly polls, Bengalureans opine that they have other problems to fret over and prefer to stay away from the cacophony. P2

El Nino or not, it will be normal monsoon: IMD

JITENDRA CHOUBEY @ New Delhi

WEATHER forecasting in India is always dicey. The government-run Indian Meteorological Department (IMD) on Tuesday predicted a normal southwest monsoon despite the possibility of El Nino, a day after private weather forecaster Skymet interpreted it otherwise. In the past five years, both got their predictions right only once (see table). El Niño is the unusual warming of surface waters in the eastern equatorial Pacific Ocean that can affect precipitation.

The IMD said the overall rainfall would be 96% of the long period average (LPA) with a model error of 5%. While peninsular India, most of Northeast and the adjoining East-central India are expected to have normal to above-normal rainfall, it would be normal to below-normal in the Northwest, parts of West-central and some Northeast pockets.

The LPA of the season's rainfall across the country based on data from 1971 to 2020 is 87 cm; this year's corresponding figure is expected to be around 83 cm. The IMD's statistical and dynamic models suggest higher probability of seasonal monsoon to be normal — between 96% and 104%.

IMD director general Dr Mrutyunjay Mohapatra said the normal rainfall forecast is based on the positive Indian Ocean Dipole (IOD) conditions and low snow cover over the Northern Hemisphere. The IOD is the difference in sea-surface temperatures in opposite parts of the Indian Ocean.

Mohapatra said the impact of El Nino would not be much. "Every El Nino year was not drought year, but every drought year was an El Nino year," said Mohapatra.

Comparing predictions with the actual rainfall

Year	IMD's forecast (April prediction: error margin 5%)	Skymet forecast (April prediction: error margin 5%)	Actual
2023	96%	94%	---
2022	99%	98%	106%
2021	98%	103%	99%
2020*	100%	NA	109%
2019	96%	93%	110%
2018	97%	100%	91%

* In year 2020, Skymet didn't come up with data due to Covid-19

Deficit: < 90%,
Below normal: 90-95%
Normal range: 96-104%
Above normal: 105-114%
Excess: >115%

Figuring out El Nino

El Nino year with deficit monsoon	El Nino year with normal monsoon
1951	1953
1965	1957
1972	1963
1982	1969
1987	1991
2002	1997
2004	--
2009	--
2015	--

BLEAK OUTLOOK

IMF cuts India growth forecast to 5.9% in FY24

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

THE International Monetary Fund (IMF) on Tuesday moderated its projection of India's growth in FY24 to 5.9%, a 20 basis-point drop from its January forecast of 6.1%.

This is substantially lower than Reserve Bank of India's latest projection of 6.5% growth in the current financial year.

The growth outlook for FY25 has also been cut to 6.3%, down 50 basis points from the earlier estimate of 9.8%.

Despite the downward revisions, India continues to be the fastest-growing economy in the world, the World Economic Outlook figures revealed.

As for world economy, IMF trimmed growth prospects citing risks from rising interest rates and uncertainties resulting from the collapse of two US regional banks and the forced merger of Credit Suisse. The IMF now sees global growth to be 2.8% this year, down from 3.4% in 2022 and from the 2.9% estimate for 2023 it made in its previous forecast in January.

"With the recent increase in financial market volatility, the fog around the world economic outlook has thickened," the IMF said. The 190-country lending organisation, however, expects global inflation will decrease going foward, although more slowly than initially anticipated, from 8.7% in 2022 to 7% this year and 4.9% in 2024.

"Tentative signs in early 2023 that the world economy could achieve a soft landing have receded amid stubbornly high inflation and recent financial sector turmoil," it said.

Earlier this month, the World Bank had cut India's growth estimate for FY24 to 6.3% from 6.6% forecast earlier while the Asian Development Bank slashed its projection for India to 6.4% from 7.2%.

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Officer faces sack for accidental shooting of IAF chopper

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THE Indian Air Force's General Court Martial (GCM) that probed the accidental shooting down of an Mi-17 V5 helicopter in February 2019, a day after the Balakot attack in Pakistan, has recommended dismissal of a Group Captain. Sources said the GCM ordered the sacking of Group Captain Suman Roy Chowdhury, who was serving as Chief Operations Officer of the Srinagar Air Force Station at that point in time.

The probe determined that the attack helicopter was struck by the IAF's surface-to-air missile when the chopper was on its way back to Srinagar on February 27, the day Indian and Pakistani air forces were engaged in a dogfight on the Line of Control.

The Mi-17V5 had crashed in the Budgam area shortly after take-off killing all six onboard and one civilian on the ground.

The GCM's decision is yet to be sent to the IAF chief for confirmation. "The verdict of GCM is subject to confirmation by the competent authority. Hence, the officer has not been dismissed from service," a defence source said.

Sources said the IAF can act on the GCM's recommendation only after a decision on a case relating to the incident by the Punjab and Haryana High Court. Last month, the HC is understood to have allowed the GCM to pronounce its verdict while stating it must not be implemented till the court disposes of the case.

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• **Nakshatra:** Moola 11.05 am • Moon in Makara Rashi • **Rahukaala:** 12:00 pm to 01:30pm
• **Gulikakala:** 10:30 am to 12:00 pm • **Yamaganda:** 07:30 am to 09:00 am

WEATHER | MIN 20°C | MAX 34°C | **FORECAST** Afternoon clouds

Sunrise 6.09 am | Sunset 6.32 pm | Moonrise 0.30 am | Moonset 11.01 am

Cong to keep KMF-Amul issue simmering till polls

Party leaders directed to keep mounting pressure on government

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

WITH assembly polls just around 30 days away, the opposition Congress is likely to keep up pressure on the government on alleged attempts to weaken the Karnataka Milk Federation (KMF) to help Amul.

"It will be one of the major issues during campaigning," said a senior Congress leader. Senior leaders have directed party leaders to keep up pressure on the government as it concerns over 26 lakh farmers, who supply milk to the KMF every day. KMF procures 85 lakh litres of milk from 26 lakh farmers every day.

Meanwhile, former chief minister Siddaramaiah said since the past few years, the state and central governments were making attempts to weaken the institution that has been the backbone of farmers in the state. The Congress leader said he has been raising the issue since 2020, and even wrote several letters to the state government and also took it up in the assembly. The former CM said in 2014, KMF was procuring 45 lakh litres of milk and this increased to 73 lakh litres by end of 2017. It increased by 61 lakh litres, but now why has it reduced to 71 lakh litres, he questioned.

The Congress government had increased the incentive provided per litre of milk to ₹5, but the BJP government has not increased it at all, he said.

Border Security Force personnel and local police take out a route march in Ulsoor in Bengaluru on Monday, ahead of the Assembly elections | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

460 complaints on cVIGIL, highest from central B'luru

NAMRATA SINDWANI @ Bengaluru

THE cVIGIL app has recorded 460 complaints in Bengaluru regarding model code of conduct violation till April 11.

Also, 1,018 FIRs have been registered and articles worth Rs 51 crore including narcotics, liquor, precious metals and other gifts have been seized till Tuesday.

After the model code of conduct came into force, a 24-hour helpline service was opened. Of 460 complaints, 389 were found to be genuine by the returning officer.

The daily bulletin released by the Bengaluru DEO and BBMP Chief Commissioner, Tushar Girinath stated the highest number of complaints were received from central Bengaluru (309).

Poornima Shetty, a member of an RWA, said many citizens were curious about the C-VIGIL app. Since the identities of the complainants remain anonymous, they are more motivated to register their complaints. However, she added people should be made more aware about the app and file complaint against MCC violations.

Prateek Bayal, district complaint monitoring cell nodal officer, explained that the whole state has been geo-fenced with the cVIGIL app. Any person register their complaints by uploading photos, videos and audio clips as well, and their identities will be protected.

The officers have ensured that within 100 minutes of the complaint being filed, action will be taken and the complaint closed. Complaints of distributing pamphlets, money, posters or other things which are MCC violations can be registered on the portal. He said that citizens have becoming more vigilant and filing complaints on the portal.

Tone it down: B'lureans call row a poll gimmick

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

WITH political tussle over Nandini and Amul boiling over ahead of the Assembly elections, Bengalureans said they have other problems to fret over and prefer to stay away from the cacophony.

"The fight over Amul and Nandini is for politicians. It's an election gimmick. There are more pressing issues that we have to tackle, instead of thinking about which brand of milk or curd to purchase. I buy what is available at the nearest outlet," said Rohini B, a software professional and a mother of two. Ummu Arifa, a homemaker, said for her, butter means Amul, and for curd and milk it has been Nandini for the last two decades. "The Amul vs Nandini battle has not impacted buying patterns as we are going by the taste and clear choice," Arifa said.

Most Bengalureans whom TNIE spoke to gyrate around similar arguments. They described the tussle as a political narrative. Apartment dwellers said the associations have not imposed any restrictions on which brand of milk and milk products they should purchase. It is dictated by personal taste and choice. Vidya Goggi, governing council member, Bengaluru Apartments Federation, said, "Both brands are behemoths, and are capable of eating into each other's business. Amul vs Nandini controversy appears to be political but this can also lead to more innovation and efficiency."

Another citizen, Prakash Angadi, owner, Sri Channabasveshwara Rotti Mane at Majestic, said for the last 16 years, he has been buying Nandini milk and curd. "The recent development won't impact our decision. If we have to buy butter, we go for Amul," he said.

However, some said the tussle could have an impact on citizens and Nandini's business. "Entry of Amul into Karnataka's market will affect the common man. Price of Amul's milk is higher than Nandini's, and if Amul takes over Karnataka Milk Federation, buyers might have to shell out more. Nandini cannot fight the might of Amul's marketing and advertising," said Pradeep M, a techie.

Over 50L voters associated with Nandini brand

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More than 50 lakh voters are associated with KMF's Nandini brand of products in the state and that could be the reason for Opposition parties politicising the issue, he said.

KMF is prepared to compete with Amul. "The quality of KMF products has been excellent compared to other brands and we are selling our products, including Nandini milk, at affordable rates everywhere," he said. The chairman said KMF has been procuring milk within Karnataka and not from other states. But Amul has been buying milk from eight states and that is why its turnover is much higher than that of KMF However, KMF is gearing up to expand its business in the coming days.

He said KMF is making efforts to increase the quantity of its milk procurement given the tremendous response it has been getting for most of its products, which are being marketed even in other states.

BBMP holds jatha, talks to IT firms for high turnout

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@ Bengaluru

THE Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) which is trying to ensure high voter turnout on polling day, organised a jatha for voters' awareness in Govindarajanagar Assembly constituency on Tuesday.

The procession passed through Siddaiah Puranik Road, and Basaveshwara Nagar Government Homeopathic Medical College and Hospital and near Government Unani Medical College.

Assistant Executive Director, election nodal officer Umesh said the programme has been organised to create awareness among votes in the urban areas, so that they come out and vote in large numbers.

Every citizen in a democracy should exercise their right to vote, he said. Revenue officer Rajendran, BBMP officials and Unani College Principal Manjula, among others were present on the occasion.

The BBMP, following the direction of the Election Commission, conducted a Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP) campaign at Embassy Manyata Business Park in East zone.

An interactive session was held with Outer Ring Road Companies' Associations (ORRCA) in association with BBMP, in which the city civic body Chief Commissioner and District Election Officer, Bengaluru, Tushar Girinath explained to the IT/BT companies about the importance of voting, and how they can contribute towards creating a more informed and engaged electorate.

Gangambike to file papers tomorrow from Chickpet

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

HOPEFUL of getting the Congress party ticket to contest from Chickpet constituency, former Bengaluru mayor **Gangambike Mallikarjun** will be filing her nomination on Thursday, citing it to be an auspicious day.

"After holding a padayatra with my supporters from Ashoka Pillar to South End Circle, I will be formally filing my nomination for Chickpet," she announced on Tuesday.

While the Congress has not announced a ticket to anyone, and there are a few aspirants including former MLA RV Devaraj, Gangambike said she had decided to file the nomination as she is confident of getting the party ticket.

"I have complete faith in party leaders that they will give me the 'B' form, which I will submit before April 20. The leaders had promised that they will give the ticket to those who do good work and I along with my team have done so much work during the pandemic and also while organising party programmes," she said, adding that she had also given Rs 350 crore grant for the development of the constituency when she was the mayor.

Asked what would be her move if the party chooses another candidate, she said that she will discuss it with leaders in the constituency and decid. "People are forcing me to contest this time and hence I have decided to file nomination," she added.

BRACE FOR 12 PER CENT SURGE IN RENTS THIS YEAR

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

WITH many IT and startup employees returning to the city to work from office at least once or twice a week in hybrid mode, there has been a considerable spike in housing rents. According to real estate watchers, residential rents in prominent markets will go up anywhere between 5% and 12% in 2023.

At the peak of the pandemic, many employees with their families had left the city, resulting in plummeting rents. As per ANAROCK Research, for a 2BHK of 1,000 sqft, the average rent hovers around Rs 27,000 (excluding maintenance) on Sarjapur Road, which is estimated to increase by 7-12% this year.

ANAROCK report also shows that Whitefield recorded about 18% average rental growth – from Rs 19,000 per month in 2019 to Rs 22,500 per month in 2022. Rajaji Nagar saw 16% rise in average monthly rent for luxury homes - from Rs 56,000 in 2019 to Rs 65,000 per month in 2022. According to NoBroker data, in Varthur, the rent has jumped from Rs 24,500 in January 2023 to Rs 26,500 in March.

Saurabh Garg, co-founder and Chief Business Officer, NoBroker, attributed the rise in rent due to demand-supply mismatch, but said that it will settle down in a few months.

Construction activities had slowed down during the pandemic, but with employees returning, the demand-supply mismatch is now highest in Bengaluru. Garg said the trend has also been seen in Pune and Hyderabad, and particularly in areas near IT parks.

"Demand in city has not only breached the pre-pandemic levels but has exceeded it. In fact, in many housing societies, there are hardly any vacancies now, and rents have soared by at least 15-20% relative to pre-pandemic levels. A few societies have seen a rise of more than 30%," said Ashish Sharma, city head, Bengaluru, ANAROCK Group.

The surge is more prominent near IT parks around the Outer Ring Road, Bellandur and Manyata Tech Park. Over half a million professionals are employed along the ORR.

"The city is home to 1.5 million workers from the tech sector, and hence high disposable incomes are leading to greater demand for homes and higher rents. Rents have once again gone up to 30-50% in some localities. There is an overwhelming demand for gated communities," said Ramani Sastri, chairman and MD, Sterling Developers.

TECHIES RETURN TO IT CITY, HOUSES DEARER

Locations	*Avg monthly rent in Q1 2023	Estimated rise in 2023
Thanisandra Main Road	₹26,000	7-12%
Hennur Road	₹25,000	5-10%
Whitefield	₹26,000	7-10%
Sarjapur Road	₹27,000	7-12%
Outer Ring Road-Marathahalli	₹28,000	7-12%
Hebbal	₹27,000	7-12%

Source: ANAROCK Research

*standard 2BHK of 1,000 sqft (excluding maintenance)

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

12th April: Venus, planet of love and affection, is connecting with sober, serious, Saturn. If there's a message for the current moment, it's that traditional values count for most in relationships. If you are a free spirit, reluctant to be tied down and scornful of convention, then you might have to keep a low profile for a few weeks!

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
There's a slight relaxation in the planetary situation which indicates that you can pay less attention to family pressures. You're also entering a high-stakes financial cycle, so calculate the odds very carefully before taking chances. Remember - a good gambler never loses.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
You may well feel as if people at home are too clever by half. What relatives will fail to realise is that they are confusing their feelings with their thoughts. You may give them more space to work out their own desires, and even provide some practical back-up.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
The best way to handle your feelings is to talk about them. Family members could be surprisingly responsive, and you'll clear up some of your own uncertainties in the process. Financial concerns may be given a rest, perhaps because there are fresh figures to come in.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
Your emotional security is an important issue, and you should be aware that financial worries can be a substitute for coping with deeper concerns. Bear in mind that family decisions are now in the pipeline, and that you really can't finalise your plans until partners know what they're doing.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
The Moon is now due to step up its emotional presence, which will account for an increase in the romantic temperature. There is nothing to be gained from keeping your feelings to yourself, but you must be clear about your motives - because, if you're not, then you can't expect anyone else to understand you, either!

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
You can afford to be secretive, especially as far as family plans or domestic matters are concerned. Nobody has a right to probe into your affairs, and you must choose the time and place to tell others how you feel. Of course, once you've decided what you want to say, you have to find the right words.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Lift your social horizons and be prepared to make friends with new people. Even at work, your personal skills will come in useful, especially if you can get other people on your side, making valuable allies for the future. There's a great deal to be said for listening to wiser, more experienced people, by the way.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
You should now be prepared to take responsibility for others, although it won't be easy. It's better to see yourself as serving humanity. In love, it's important to be as generous with others as possible. If you count the cost now, then they'll remember it!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
Lunar alignments today are almost ideal for classic activities, like getting together with people who understand you, body and soul. Everything tends to emphasise your optimism and desire to explore life's highways and byways. Once you've worked out the odds, you may even put your innate caution to one side.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
This is certainly a moment to look at business options. If you're in the housing market, or otherwise planning large domestic purchases, you will have doubts, perhaps very useful ones. Press ahead with caution, guarding your rear and bearing in mind that there may be surprises around the next corner.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
If you have been taking people for granted, you are about to be woken up with a jolt. You will discover, as so many others have before you, that compla-cency is a dangerous condition! Keep your wits about you and you'll sail through smoothly.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Your self-sacrificing instincts will be stirred today, so you will have to draw a line between performing favours and being exploited. Stay busy and you'll discover that work can be emotionally fulfilling. Just make sure that your efforts don't go unnoticed.

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

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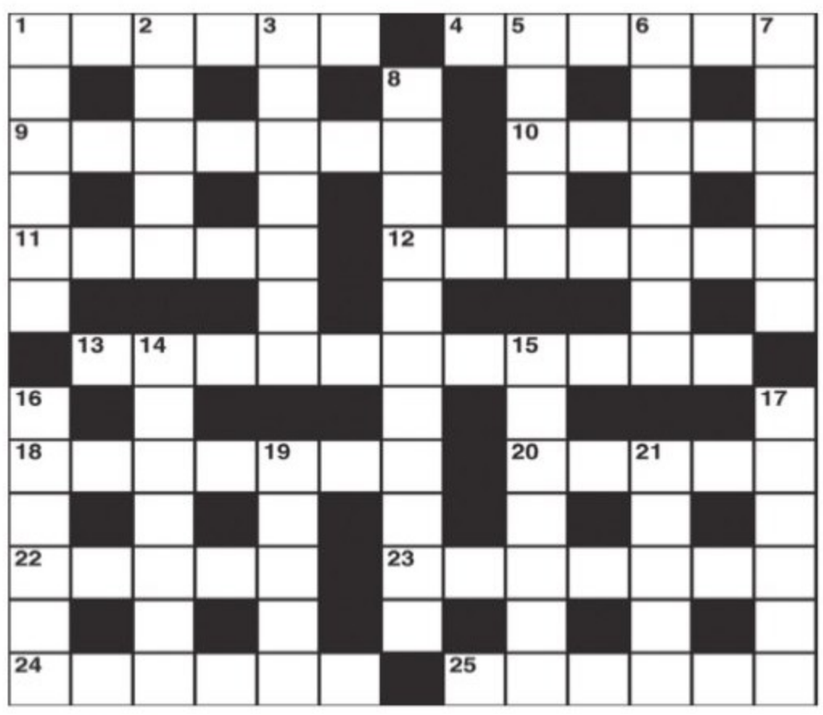

CROSS WORD

ACROSS

1 Create goodwill by being close to the listener (6)
4 Puts pressure on the men who sail in a ship (6)
9 Makeshift draught-excluder? (7)
10 Tina returns with a new name (5)
11 Provide proper directions first (5)
12 Put down to do more evening work? (7)
13 Finishes - a sentence (4,1,4,2)
18 I'm close to danger and put in jeopardy (7)
20 Refuse to get thin (5)
22 Weary; tried a new way (5)
23 The two signs of hesitation seen in troubles (7)
24 Don's fine port? (6)
25 Gradually descend to procrastination? (6)

DOWN

1 Teresa is out for the holiday (6)
2 Odd or strange Dickensian surname (5)
3 Their bank accounts are often misleading (7)
5 He holds a title briefly (5)
6 It's obvious I've turned up to make an impression (7)
7 A press reform that is not generally found (6)
8 Groups that promote diversionary activities (6,5)
14 Court officials chaired on high (7)
15 Looking out for a situation for the hands? (2,5)
16 More suitable for one on the assembly line (6)
17 Tenant not having so many points (6)
19 A source of pleasure or aid perhaps (5)
21 It can be entrancing for a while (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Observe, 5 Fight, 8 Fatal decision, 9 Range, 10 Extreme, 11 Fuhrer, 12 Themes, 15 Offices, 17 Upset, 19 General strike, 20 Dread, 21 Redress.

Down: 1 Offer, 2 Sit on the fence, 3 Relieve, 4 Eleven, 5 Faint, 6 Guided missile, 7 Tenders, 11 Flogged, 13 Haunted, 14 Ostler, 16 Cured, 18 Teens.

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BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

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(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: DRILL VIPER DECENT BUSHEL
Answer: They were building a new deck and wanted to do their — LEVEL BEST

The police on Monday seized 9.565 kg of gold worth ₹5.83 crore from a man, as the gold was being transported to a shop without valid documents in Shivamogga. The police stated that they received a tip-off about a person suspected of taking gold jewellery to a shop near Gandhi Bazaar Ele Revannakeri

CIGARETTE THE CAUSE?

Miscreants set waste on fire near railway track

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

A fire incident was reported at Malleswaram Railway Station on Tuesday afternoon. The blaze is said to have erupted after miscreants threw cigarette butts on dry grass and garbage thrown near the railway tracks, which caught fire in no time.

"At around 2.30 pm, the Fire and Emergency Services received a call from a resident about the fire next to the railway tracks on Malleswaram 11th Main. A fire tender was pushed into service from High Grounds in under 10 minutes. We got a request for one more fire tender and we sent a second one. Both worked in coordination and doused the fire completely around 4 pm. There were no reports of any casualties or major damage," said the fire personnel.

Bengaluru Additional Division Railway Manager Kusuma Hariprasad said that at around 2.45 pm, the team was alerted and they immediately alerted the fire department. "The Railway Police Force has lodged a complaint and said that there was no damage to Railway property or lines in the fire accident," said Kusuma.

"We suspect that the fire might have been caused because of a cigarette butt. As the stretch had patches of dry grass and garbage, plastic covers and paper, it caught fire quickly," she said, adding that the exact cause of the fire would be known only after a thorough inspection.

WOMAN ACCUSES S-I OF SEXUALLY HARASSING HER

She had gone to the police station to give statement in a case

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

A police sub-inspector attached to Suddaguntepalya (SG Palya) police station, off Hosur Road in South East division, has been accused of harassing and inappropriately touching a woman in the station.

The woman, in a series of tweets on April 10 tagging the city police commissioner, alleged that the police officer touched her hip and other parts of her body when she went to the police station to give her statements in a divorce case pertaining to her brother's friend.

The sub-inspector, against whom allegations have been levelled, has been identified as BC Manjunathaswamy. The incident is said to have occurred on April 8. In one of the tweets, she stated that the police officer, who was very friendly in the beginning, started harassing her.

"Luckily, my mother called me at the right time and I used her call as an excuse to get out of the police station," read one of her tweets.

> We will check the CCTV footage and act against the sub-inspector if he had misbehaved with the woman
>
> Senior police officer

The sub-inspector is also said to have not recorded her statements and told her to come back when he called. He is alleged to have asked her to send her photographs once she reached home. He is also accused of initiating a conversation at night on WhatsApp, which she ignored.

Senior police officers have assured her of initiating action. "We have spoken to her. Appropriate action will be initiated at the earliest. CCTVs have been installed inside the station. We will check the CCTV footage and act against the sub-inspector if he had misbehaved with the woman," said an officer, who is aware of the incident.

Mason jumps into 100-foot well, saves drowning child

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Belagavi

A 40-year-old mason from Belagavi saved the life of a three-year-old boy, who accidentally fell into a 100-foot-deep well at Patne-Fata village in Maharashtra along Karnataka border near Belagavi on Monday.

The mason, **Rahul Katkar** was felicitated by the residents of Patne-Fata and surrounding villages. From Ambewadi village in Belagavi taluk, Katkar was busy at a construction site when he heard a few children shouting for help as one of them had accidentally fallen into the open well. The boy, Ayush Anand Tupare, was struggling to stay afloat.

Katkar, who was working on the first floor, jumped on a heap of sand next to the construction site, and rushed to the well. He quickly climbed down a rope that was already tied to it, and pulled Ayush out of the water. As he was climbing up using the rope, holding onto the boy, the rope snapped. Both Katkar and Ayush fell into the water.

By that time, some villagers reached the spot. One of the villagers, Rahul Kamble, climbed down the well and managed to lift the child to safety. Katkar sustained injuries in his hands and legs and also lost his mobile phone in the water. The parents of the boy and villagers offered a cash reward to Katkar to buy a mobile phone. But he refused to take it, saying it was only his duty to save the child.

Mock drill tests preparedness for Covid response

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

AMID a surge of Covid-19 cases across the country, Covid response mock drills were held at government-run Victoria Hospital on Tuesday to check their preparedness to tackle any spike in cases. The mock drill mainly focused on the bed capacities, which include oxygen and ventilator supported beds and ICU beds, availability of doctors, oxygen supply, and medical stocks.

Speaking to TNIE, Medical Superintendent of Victoria Hospital, Dr Ramesh Krishna, who led the mock drill at Victoria said, "We have equipped an entire block for Covid-19 patients with 50 beds, of which, 8 are ICU beds and 4 are high dependency units (HDU)."

Doctors at Victoria said they have handled over 15,000 Covid positive cases since the pandemic broke out and are confident of tiding over any new surge. The hospital's oxygen tank capacity is nearly 30 kilolitre.

A doctor, who mimicked stable and unstable patient, was attended to by the staff and treated during the mock drill.

"At K C General Hospital, we have 50 beds reserved for Covid patients and in case of spike in numbers, things are in place to enhance the bed capacity, oxygen supply, medical supply, and staff availability, said Dr Indira Kabade, Medical Superintendent, K C General.

A mock drill under way to check Covid-19 preparedeness, at Victoria Hospital in Bengaluru on Tuesday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

CRIME PATROL

Elder asks neighbours to clear dog poop, murdered

BENGALURU: Muniraju (68), a resident of Ganapathi Nagar in Soladevanahalli, was killed by his neighbours for asking them to clear their dog's poop lying in front of his house on Saturday. The neighbour frequently littered Muniraju's premises with cigarette butts in front of his house, and even made his friend get a dog to add to the nuisance. Unable to bear this harassment despite multiple requests, Muniraju reported the matter to Soladevanahalli police, who summoned the neighbour N Pramod (27) and his friend M Ravi Kumar (38), to warn them. Furious that they were summoned by police, the two men and Ravi's wife Pallavi (28) attacked the senior citizen with a bat, killing him. His son Murali (32), who came to rescue him, was also attacked. He sustained severe head injuries and is in hospital. "Pramod started troubling the victim and then brought in his friend, Ravi Kumar. All three have been arrested," said an officer who is part of investigations.

IAS officer's wife files dowry harassment case

Bengaluru: The wife of an IAS officer has accused him and his family members of harassing her for dowry. The 29-year-old woman, a doctor and the daughter of an ex-IPS officer, filed the complaint a few days ago with East Zone Women's police station of Pulakeshinagar sub-division. The IAS officer, Akash Shankar (33), is serving as CEO of Kodagu Zilla Panchayat. The couple got married in June 2022. The woman, in her complaint, has stated that Rs 3.5 lakh was spent on their engagement and nearly Rs 50 lakh was spent on the wedding. She accused Shankar of taking an Audi Q7 as dowry, and demanded more dowry. She also accused him of pushing her out of their home after she confronted him for regularly speaking with another woman on the phone. He verbally abused her and beat her on December 11, 2022, while demanding more dowry, she said. The complainant then returned to her parents' house in NTI Layout. She and her father were verbally abused when they visited her husband's house in Mysuru for a compromise.

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Former minister and KPCC working president Ramalinga Reddy said it will be good if Congress Legislature Party leader chief minister Siddaramaiah and KPCC president DK Shivakumar do not speak about the CM issue till the Assembly elections are over

High political drama after BJP high command drops many sitting legislators | Congress leaders in touch with Savadi, GOP yet to announce candidate for Athani segment | I still have 10-15 years of active politics left in me, I'm in good health too, says disappointed Shettar

TO FIGHT ANTI-INCUMBENCY, BJP FIELDS 52 NEW FACES

Kumathalli gets Athani; Will 'loyal' Savadi rebel?

NAUSHAD BIJAPUR @ Belagavi

WITH the BJP fielding Mahesh Kumathalli from Athani Assembly constituency, all eyes are now on former deputy chief minister Laxman Savadi's next move.

Savadi, a strong contender for a ticket from Athani till about 9pm on Tuesday when the BJP announced its list of candidates, told *The New Indian Express* that he would appeal to the high command to reconsider its decision.

"I will meet my supporters and the people of Athani on April 13 and decide on my future course of action. I will contest the polls if people want me to," he said.

A visibly upset Savadi said he was prepared to contest as an Independent from Athani if that is the wish of his supporters.

Savadi said BS Yediyurappa, Shettar and KS Eshwarappa had promised him a ticket for the 2023 polls four years ago during the Athani bypoll. "They should swear before Dharmasthala Manjunatha whether they promised me a ticket or not. If they deny it, I will retire from politics."

He said that when he opted out of the MLC polls, Bommai had assured him of a ticket for the 2023 polls. "I have been a loyal party soldier for the last two decades and worked sincerely for its growth. I request the party not lose a party's loyal son. I appeal to the party to reconsider its decision and field me from Athani," he added.

Sources told *The New Indian Express* that Savadi is in touch with several top Congress leaders, and he has already decided to join the Grand Old Party if denied a BJP ticket from Athani. Congress too is delaying announcing the candidate from the constituency and wants Savadi to join the party, they added.

Savadi also thanked several leaders who helped him grow in politics, including his political mentor late Ananth Kumar and Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai for their support.

> **I have been a loyal party soldier for the last two decades and worked sincerely for its growth. I request the party not lose a party's loyal son. I appeal to the party to reconsider its decision and field me from Athani** — Laxman Savadi, former deputy chief minister

After 40 yrs in public life, KSE quits electoral politics, to work for party

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Shivamogga

FORMER deputy chief minister and senior BJP leader KS Eshwarappa on Tuesday announced his retirement from electoral politics.

This development comes on a day the party announced candidates to 189 segments for the May 10 Assembly elections for which Eshwarappa was an aspirant along with his son KE Kantesh.

In a letter to BJP national president JP Nadda, Eshwarappa said, "I have decided to retire from electoral politics voluntarily. So, I request you not to consider my name to contest the Assembly elections."

"I thank all senior leaders of the party for giving me an opportunity to work from the booth level to the deputy chief minister's position in my political career of more than 40 years," he said.

Eshwarappa told reporters here that he decided to retire from electoral politics during the election committee meeting in Bengaluru in the first week of March. He brought this matter to the notice of senior leaders of the party, including state BJP president, CM, former CM and those at the centre and requested them to permit him to work in the party organisation. "But they did not agree to my request. So, this morning, I wrote to Nadda about my decision," he said.

Supporters of senior BJP leader KS Eshwarappa protest in Shivamogga on Tuesday

He said he wants to infuse strength to the party organisation in the state because not even once it secured full majority in the Assembly elections. People of the state have given their verdict to rule, but not a complete mandate.

"With the sole intention to bring BJP back to power with absolute majority and to focus more on political activities, I have decided not to contest elections. I request all party workers in the state to work collectively and ensure that the BJP comes to power with absolute majority. The victory in the Assembly elections will motivate the party cadre for the coming parliamentary elections and see Modi as PM again," he said.

Eshwarappa's retirement announcement came after similar moves by SA Ravindranath and others in the party. The list of BJP candidates is expected to be released on Wednesday. Have these leaders got a signal from the party high command about their bleak chances of contesting elections and hence decided to retire from electoral politics? This is the question being debated in political circles.

Shettar rejects top brass' suggestion not to contest

PRAMODKUMAR VAIDYA @ Hubballi

SENIOR BJP leader Jagadish Shettar on Tuesday rejected the party central leadership's suggestion to make way for a new face to contest from the Hubballi-Dharwad Central Assembly constituency, which he has won six consecutive times. Shettar, who was the chief minister from 2012 to 2013, said he should be allowed to contest, considering his stature and political track record.

A soft-spoken politician, who has not gone against the party despite suffering humiliation in recent times, Shettar said he will remain in active politics for another 10 to 15 years, clearly defying the party diktat.

"Ironically, the leaders who called me did not reveal the reasons for denying me the ticket, though I insisted repeatedly," said a visibly disturbed Shettar.

When the leaders called him, Shettar told them how unblemished his political career has been and how he has not faced any allegation despite holding the posts of CM, minister and leader of opposition. He also told them he has relentlessly worked to build the party in North Karnataka for the last 30 years. Shettar told them he has won the last six elections with a margin of 25,000-30,000 votes and would win the seventh one too with a large margin. Also, a party internal survey gave positive feedback on him, he added.

"The leaders told me that my request would be discussed at party forums and they would get back to me. I have the belief in the party leadership that they will take the right decision. I will wait for the meeting outcome. Till then, I will not speak about my next course of action," he said.

"It is painful that the leadership asked me to vacate the constituency just two days before filing the nominations. If they had called me two-three months ago and assured me of other opportunities, it would be showing respect to my political experience. The party has given me respect and position, but our family has contributed to the party since Jan Sangh days," he said.

"I will be in active politics for another 10-15 years. Age is on my side and I am healthy too." He said he is not in contact with leaders of any other parties.

Though Shettar's alleged letter to BJP national president JP Nadda resigning from the party did the rounds on social media, Shettar said he has not written any such letter. "Some mischief-mongers have created a fake letter. If I had to write to Nadda, it would be in English, not in Kannada. This is a fake letter," he said.

CM: KSE must stay in politics

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Shivamogga MLA Eshwarappa, in his letter to national president JP Nadda, stated that he has decided to retire from electoral politics voluntarily. "I request you not to consider my name for the Assembly elections. I thank all senior leaders of the party for giving me an opportunity to work from booth level to the deputy chief minister's position in my political career of more than 40 years," he said.

Reacting to this, Bommai said he (Eshwarappa) has been saying this for a while. "We told him the party needs his experience. Nadda will take a call as he has written to him. Eshwarappa must continue in politics, but the decision to contest elections is left to him," he added.

SURE OF VICTORY, SAYS BOMMAI AFTER FIRST LIST

The first list announced by the BJP shows that the party is heading for victory in the Assembly elections, Chief Minister Basavaraj Bommai said. Speaking to reporters in Bengaluru, the CM said the party had informed aspirants who would miss tickets earlier. "The list has been prepared after marathon meetings in Delhi. The party will release the second list in the next two to three days," he said. On those who missed the tickets, Bommai said, "They have an emotional connect with the party. Ours is a national party and a disciplined one. It is not true that former CM BS Yediyurappa was upset... he was there while making the list."

IMA scam accused picked for Madhugiri

DEVARAJ B HIREHALLI @ Tumakuru

EVEN as BJP announced its first list of 189 candidates, an accused in the multi-crore I Monetary Advisory (IMA) Ponzi scam and former KAS officer LC Nagaraj made the cut. The BJP government not only allegedly cleared his resignation, pending inquiry, but the ruling party has also declared him as the candidate from Madhugiri.

It was in July 2019 that Nagaraj, then Bengaluru North assistant commissioner, was arrested for issuing a no objection certificate to I Monetary Advisory founder Mohammed Mansoor Khan. His candidature was allegedly backed by a BJP minister in the Basavaraj Bommai cabinet.

Interestingly, KN Rajanna, father-in-law of IPS officer S Girish who arrested Nagaraj, is the Congress candidate. Both Nagaraj and Rajanna are from the ST Nayaka community and are contesting from a general seat. JDS has fielded incumbent MLA MV Veerabhadraiah, a Kunchatiga Vokkaliga.

Former IAS officer BH Anil Kumar is the BJP candidate for Koratagere (SC seat) and he will take on Congress senior leader Dr G Parameshwara. JDS has fielded former MLA P Sudhakar Lal, who defeated Parameshwara in the 2013 Assembly polls when the latter was a prominent aspirant for the chief minister's post then.

189 DONE... 35 TO GO....

Most of the turncoats who joined BJP in 2019 to form govt got seats. While **Anand Singh** opted not to contest, **R Shankar** too missed ticket for Rannebennur

In Bengaluru, all sitting BJP MLAs got tickets. However, Aravind Limbavali's name has not been announced for Mahadevapura. As **V Somanna**, MLA from Govindarajnagar, will contest from Varuna, Ch'nagar, party yet to announce candidate for Govindarajnagar

Three babus who served Bengaluru got tickets - former BBMP commissioner Anil Kumar, and former Bengaluru City Police Commissioner **Bhaskar Rao** and **LC Nagaraj,** who worked as Assistant Commissioner in B'luru Urban

IT'S ALL IN THE FAMILY: Ramesh Katti (Chikkodi-Sadalaga) and his nephew **Nikhil Katti** (Hukkeri)

Ramesh Jarkiholi (Gokak) and his brother **Balachandra Jarkiholi** (Arabhavi)

Former DGP and Bangalore City Police Commissioner **Bhaskar Rao** is confident of a win from Chamarajpet with a comfortable majority. He said BJP workers, admirers and sympathisers are extremely happy with his candidature and they are looking forward to work hard for his victory

Spoken to Shettar: Pradhan

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"THE party's Central Election Committee met on Sunday and senior party leaders, including those from the state, held hectic parleys since then to finalise the list by incorporating the suggestions made at the meeting, attended among others by Prime Minister Modi," he said.

The developments did cause some heartburn among senior BJP leaders.

Former chief minister Jagadish Shettar defied the central leadership by rejecting their suggestion to make way for a new face. The party is yet to announce its candidate for Shettar's Hubli-Dharwad Central seat. Pradhan said Shettar will be "with us" and they have spoken to him.

AAP leaders Brijesh Kalappa, Prithvi Reddy, Mukhyamantri Chandru and others celebrate the party's national status, in Bengaluru on Tuesday

'PROUD OF NATIONAL STATUS TO AAP'

Bengaluru: Announcing national status to the Aam Aadmi Party, AAP leaders Prithvi Reddy, Mukhyamantri Chandru and Brijesh Kalappa said they are proud of the recognition, and thankful for prompt intervention by the higher judiciary. Though AAP met the prescribed conditions for becoming a national party after the Gujarat elections, this recognition was long delayed by the ECI, due to possible political pressure from the BJP, they said. **ENS**

Roll back internal quota: Tribals

ENS @ Bengaluru

NOMADIC tribal communities have opposed internal reservation for 89 SCs and oppressed communities, and urged that it be rolled back. Dwarakanath CS, former chairman of the Backward Classes Commission of Karnataka, said, "Gross injustice has been done by the present system of internal reservation."

He said a sub-committee consisting of Law Minister JC Madhuswamy and Water Resources Minister Govind Karjol, Health Minister Dr Sudhakar, S Angara and Kota Srinivas Pujari have proposed this, but questioned whether they are experts or anthropologists. "Have they done any empirical study? The 89 communities which consist of oppressed groups like Adi-Andhra, who are part of the Mala sub-group, Sudugadu Sidda, Bedaga Jangam and other seriously oppressed and marginalised groups that have no proper profession other than begging, holding street performances or some kind of native medicine which has not been recognized by law, will be severely hit," he said.

Gowda's word on Hassan ticket final, says Revanna

BR UDAYA KUMAR @ Holenarasipur

TAKING exception to his brother HD Kumaraswamy's remarks that Bhavani Revanna will lose the May 10 Assembly elections if she contests from Hassan, former minister HD Revanna said JDS supremo HD Deve Gowda's word on the ticket will be final.

Revanna said Gowda has a 60-year experience in politics and he knows how to select the suitable candidate for Hassan. Revanna also said he will abide by Gowda's decision as he has never gone against his father. Reacting to Kumaraswamy's statement that the ticket will be given to a party worker, Revanna said Gowda knows who a real party worker is. He refused to comment on Kumaraswamy's statement that a section of people in Hassan are trying to finish off the Gowda family politically.

He also brushed aside rumours of him contesting from two segments and said he would contest only from Holenarasipur. Meanwhile, MLC Suraj Revanna took an indirect dig at his uncle and former CM HD Kumaraswamy for saying that the JDS will field a party worker from Hassan. "I don't know who is a common party worker... but my grandfather (HD Deve Gowda) knows it... he is aware of the political situation and will take a suitable decision soon," he said.

Bhavani, Swaroop to file papers

Hassan: JDS leaders Bhavani Revanna and HP Swaroop, strong ticket aspirants for the Hassan ticket, have both planned to file the nominations for the same seat. They are planning to take out mega-rallies with a large number of their supporters while filing nominations on April 14 and April 17, respectively. This despite the tussle between former chief minister HD Kumaraswamy and his brother HD Revanna over allotting the ticket to this prestigious segment. Leaders of both the factions held a series of meetings and worked out strategies to exhibit their strength within the JDS circle. Party sources said Swaroop is planning to bring over 30,000 supporters from the Dasa Vokkaliga community, a sub-sect of Vokkaligas, for the rally. Kumaraswamy, who is opposed to giving the ticket to his sister-in-law Bhavani, is supposed to have told Swaroop to send out a strong message to opposition candidates as well as the Bhavani faction by holding a big rally. Bhavani is also planning a mega rally. **ENS**

Why didn't Congress make Dalit a CM after 2018 elections, asks HDK

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Hubballi

REACTING sharply to the Dalit card being played by the Congress ahead of the May 10 Assembly elections, senior JDS leader and former chief minister HD Kumaraswamy shot back at the Grand Old Party questioning why it did not make a leader from the community a CM in the past.

Speaking to reporters here on Tuesday, Kumaraswamy ridiculed the Congress for playing the Dalit card at a time when the party itself was not sure of getting a clear majority in the upcoming polls. "Why didn't the Congress make Mallikarjun Kharge the CM when JDS openly supported him in 2018? In the presence of senior Congress leaders Ghulam Nabi Azad, Ashok Gehlot, Siddaramaiah, Dr G Parameshwara and DK Shivakumar, JDS supremo HD Deve Gowda suggested the name of Kharge for the CM's post during the coalition government," he said, adding that the Congress could have made Kharge the chief minister even in 2013 when it won the Assembly polls.

Senior Janata Dal (Secular) leader and former chief minister HD Kumaraswamy prays at Fateh Shah Wali Dargah in Hubballi on Tuesday | DHEMANTH

On the confusion over the JDS candidate from Hassan, the former CM reiterated that a party worker would be fielded from the constituency. "The final decision would be taken after holding consultations with state and national presidents of the party," he added.

On Tuesday, Kumaraswamy took out the party's Pancharatna Yatre in Hubballi. He also visited the Siddaroodha Mutt, Fateh Shah Wali Dargah, and Tulja Bhavani Temple and concluded the Yatra after addressing a public rally at Ganesh Peth.

HDK's chopper loses way

As hundreds of people waited at Joida College Grounds, Uttara Kannada, to see his chopper landing, HD Kumaraswamy got delayed. JDS workers tried desperately to contact him, but in vain. JDS workers asked the police to fog the area so that the venue was visible from the top. Finally when Kumaraswamy landed at Joida 20 minutes later, he told party workers that the chopper circled Ramanagara seven times before finding out the venue at Joida. "It became difficult to locate your town," he joked.

IISc Bengaluru won the Praj-IISER Pune 'Mimamsa 2023' – a national-level science competition. Dr Pramod Chaudhari, founder and executive chairperson, Praj Industries, handed over the award and the certificates at the grand finale held at IISER, Pune on April 9, 2023. Mimamsa 2023 saw the participation of 1,384 teams from around 450 colleges

Rahul: Will fight from Wayanad, BJP can't stop me

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@Kalpetta

IN the first visit to his constituency after disqualification as an MP, Congress leader Rahul Gandhi on Tuesday sought to strike an emotional chord with the voters, saying the BJP can take away his MP tag, but can't stop him from representing the people of Wayanad and their issues.

"MP is just a tag, a position. BJP can take away the tag, the position, the house, and they can put me in jail. But they can't stop me from representing the people of Wayanad and their issues. And, I'll not stop raising questions. It is not for me, but for the people of Wayanad and the entire country," he said addressing a mammoth rally.

When he came to Wayanad four years ago, he felt like coming to a family, the Congress leader said. "Of course, I don't belong to Kerala, but the affection and the manner in which you embraced me made me feel like your brother, your son... I will make sure that issues of Wayanad people will be taken up, and will never end my relationship with Wayanad," he said. The disqualification as MP is the biggest gift BJP could have given him, Rahul said, adding it assured him he was on the right track.

"What did I do? I only asked one question to the prime minister. What is his relationship with Adani? Adani was on the 609th position among the richest, and now he is second in the list. I cited examples of prime minister's support to Adani. When I raised the question in Parliament, the ruling party members, including ministers, disrupted Parliament. I wrote two letters to the speaker, and asked him why are you doing so. The speaker said he didn't have another option," Rahul said.

Addressing the rally, Congress national general secretary Priyanka Gandhi said it is the duty of an MP to ask questions and raise issues. But, Rahul was disqualified just for doing that. "The BJP thinks that India belongs to them, but the country belongs to all of us. It is our responsibility to protect constitutional institutions in the country," she said.

Congress leaders Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Vadra during a roadshow at Kalpetta in Wayanad on Tuesday | E GOKUL

HC: ROs can't seize items before poll announcement

Police personnel check vehicles at a check-post in Mysuru on Tuesday | KPN

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NOTING that the Returning Officer or election officials do not have the jurisdiction to search for or seize any material before the announcement of elections, the Karnataka High Court directed the Returning Officer (RO) and Shivajinagar police to release 530 bags of rice weighing 25kgs each, seized on March 19. It was alleged that the rice was being held for distribution among the public to favour his candidature in elections to the Karnataka Legislative Assembly, which were declared on March 29.

"Merely because they are appointed officers for the conduct of elections, they cannot use the power before declaration of elections. After elections are declared, the entire domain would be open, but not till then. Seizure is to be exercised by the authority/officers under the Essential Commodities Act, 1955, under normal circumstances. The Returning Officer and police inspector who conducted the search were not vested with such authority, and their action is, therefore, illegal," said Justice M Nagaprasanna, while allowing the petition filed by Ishtiyaq Ahmed from Shivajinagar in Bengaluru.

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> Justice M Nagaprasanna

The court said the seizure itself is without jurisdiction. But now that elections are declared, the petitioner should not use these materials for distribution after release of stock. The petitioner was directed to indemnify the stock by filing an affidavit, the court said.

Accordingly, the petitioner has undertaken that he would not violate the code of conduct if the rice is released in his favour, and also declared that he will not violate any of the conditions imposed for the release of rice bags.

The court said the petitioner is entitled to the rice bags, but imposed the condition that the petitioner shall intimate the place of storage of the rice to the Returning Officer. If the petitioner is found distributing the released rice, the election authorities are at liberty to take action against the petitioner as per law.

Ahmed moved court, seeking direction to the authorities to release rice bags seized from his premises on Noha Street in Shivajinagar on March 19. He claimed that he is a prominent social worker involved in charitable activities like the distribution of food and clothes to the needy in the area, during festivals like Ugadi, Ramzan, Dasara, Christmas etc., for 15 years.

ASSEMBLY POLL 2023 DECIDE

Will voters get inked in the shadow of Covid-19?

VINCENT D'SOUZA @ Mangaluru

THE May 10 Assembly election in Karnataka will be the first major poll in the state since the Covid-19 pandemic began in 2020. Over 5 crore people will exercise their franchise to elect the next government. But with Covid cases rising again, the fear of the virus has come back to haunt the people despite life returning to normal. Many, including experts, believe that Covid may have a negative impact on the polling percentage this time.

Doctors said many people are still unable to come out of the Covid fear and continue to practice Covid Appropriate Behaviour like wearing masks, maintaining social distance, avoiding crowded places etc.

Aaron (name changed), a 60-year-old stock trader, who has hardly visited any crowded place since the beginning of the pandemic and doesn't shake hands even with his friends, says this time, he has decided to keep away from the polling station and also not allow anyone to enter his house for electioneering. "I have an elderly mother at home. She is sick and all my family members are taking utmost care of her. Hence, I cannot take any risks," he says.

Though government authorities claim that new and emerging sub-variants will not cause a severe illness among the vaccinated, Aaron says he won't subscribe to it. He, however, said he may rethink his decision if CAB is strictly enforced at his polling booth.

Dr Annayya Kulal, a general physician in Mangaluru, said that though a large section of people has completely gotten rid of the Covid fear, a small section, especially among the affluent and urban class, still fears the virus.

"It is evident from their behaviour in Bengaluru and other big cities. They wear masks, keep themselves away from crowds, do not dine with others or shake hands with people. They may also avoid voting," he adds. On the other hand, Kulal feels that after Covid hit, a section of people has become dispassionate and may wonder what would be the use of voting when their life is not certain. "The authorities should address such apathy," he adds.

Dr Kishore Kumar, District Health Officer, Dakshina Kannada, admits that a small section of people still fears Covid, but opined that it may not negatively affect the voting percentage.

Dr MK Sudarshan, Chairman, Technical Advisory Committee, says there won't be any negative impact on poll percentage if Covid norms set by the Election Commission are followed. "Keeping the current situation in mind, there is no need to enforce any new guidelines. Citizens must follow CAB and get tested if they show symptoms," he adds.

(With inputs from Namrata Sindwani @ Bengaluru)

Co-op banks helped businesses book bogus expenses

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THE Income Tax department, which had conducted a search and seizure operation related to cooperative banks in the state recently, has found that cooperative societies were used as a conduit to enable business entities to book bogus expenses, which could be to the tune of about Rs 1,000 crore.

The Ministry of Finance, in a statement on Tuesday, said the IT raids at 16 premises belonging to cooperative banks in Karnataka on March 31 had revealed that the banks have been found to be engaged in "routing of funds of various business entities of their customers, in a manner, so as to abet them to evade their tax liabilities."

The taxmen had seized incriminating evidence in the form of documents and soft copy data during the search action. "The seized evidence revealed that these cooperative banks were involved in rampantly discounting bearer cheques issued by various business entities, in the name of various fictitious non-existing entities. These business entities included contractors, real estate companies, etc. No KYC norms were followed while discounting such bearer cheques. The amounts after discounting were credited to the bank accounts of certain cooperative societies maintained with these cooperative banks. It was also detected that some cooperative societies subsequently withdrew funds in cash from their accounts and returned the cash to business entities," the release stated.

It added that the purpose of such discounting of large number of cheques was to mask the real source of the cash withdrawal and to enable the business entities to book bogus expenses.

"In this modus operandi, cooperative societies have been used as a conduit. Further, by using this modus operandi these business entities were also circumventing the provisions of the Income-Tax Act, 1961, which limits the allowable business expenditure incurred other than by account payee cheque. Bogus expenditure booked in this way by these beneficiary business entities, could be to the tune of about Rs 1,000 crore," the release added.

It was also found that these banks allowed opening FDRs by using cash deposits without adequate due diligence, and subsequently sanctioned loans using the same as collateral. "Evidence seized during the search revealed that unaccounted cash loans of over Rs 15 crore have been given to certain persons/customers. It was also unearthed that the management of these banks have indulged in generating unaccounted money through their real estate and other businesses. This unaccounted money has been brought back in the books of account, by multiple layering, through these banks. Further, the bank funds were routed through various firms and entities owned by the management persons, for their personal use."

Unaccounted cash of over Rs 3.3 crore and unaccounted gold jewellery worth over Rs 2 crore were seized during the raids. Further investigations are in progress.

Rlys demos underwater rescue tech

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TO demonstrate the efficacy of a state-of-the-art equipment that cuts through metal bodies under water, a massive mock drill that involved the retrieval of three bodies from railway coaches stuck under water was carried out at Hejjala on Tuesday.

The demonstration is part of a five-day specialised training being carried out at the Indian Railway Disaster Management Institute to handle disasters.

A scenario was enacted wherein a bridge collapsed sending the coach of a train running on it collapsing into three pieces and falling into a water body.

"Fifty-five participants from Indian Railways, National Disaster Response Force and State Disaster Response Force (SDRF), the US-based Braco which manufactured the Ultra Theric Cutting Equipment and the Life Saving Society of India which trained the divers were involved in the Rescue and Retrieval Operation," said J Senthil Kumar, Assistant Commandant and Nodal Officer at NDRF.

Divers in life boats retrieved the bodies trapped inside the coaches while looking for survivors.

"Later, trained cutters sliced through a portion of the train coach to retrieve the bodies. A team on shore was constantly communicating with them," the nodal officer said.

An emergency response team member during a demonstration of underwater rescue and retrieval from railway coaches in Bengaluru on Tuesday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

RIDING HIGH

79K passports issued in K'taka in March, a record

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THE Regional Passport Office has issued 79,027 passports across the state in March this year, its highest ever for a single month. It has also delivered over 7.27 lakh passports in the calendar year of 2022.

K Krishna, Regional Passport Officer (RPO), Bengaluru, told TNIE that the issuance of passports was increasing every month enabling them to hit the record number last month. "The demand was slightly high in March. We also cleared our pendency cases which helped us touch this record figure," he said.

The passport office had issued nearly 70,000 passports in December last year and over 71,000 in January. The number dipped in February because it was a 28-day month, but hit an all-time high of 79,027 in March. The previous high was before the pandemic in June 2019 when around 74,000 passports were issued, he said.

The overall number of documents issued is much higher - 8,03,714. "This includes passports, police clearance certificates (PCC) and surrender certificates (given to those who give up Indian citizenship). Of this, 4,63,766 were issued to men, 3,39,946 to women and two to transgenders," the RPO said.

An average of 3,700 applications are being received in a day across Karnataka with the maximum demand coming from Bengaluru, the officer said. This includes the five Passport Seva Kendras (PSKs) in Hubballi, Kalaburagi and Mangaluru as well as two in Bengaluru (Lal Bagh and Marthahalli) along with 23 Postal PSKs.

The average time taken in the state to obtain a passport from the date of appointment (when processing starts) till it is delivered has reduced to nine days, he said. "This number varies across districts. In the case of Hubballi or Mangaluru, the demand is far less and one can get a passport within a day or two, he said.

Of the 39,000 PCCs issued in 2022, the maximum was issued to those heading to Kuwait, followed by Saudi Arabia.

New passports cleared in record time for B'luru students heading to NASA

S LALITHA @BENGALURU

ON receiving news over a week ago that their children have been selected for a visit to NASA's Johnson Space Center and the International Space Development Conference-2023 from May 25 to 28, the parents of two students of a prominent Bengaluru school were left wringing their hands: Their girls did not even possess a passport.

However, smart work by B E Shashikala Bai, principal of Sri Chaitanya Techno School at Electronic City; K Krishna, Regional Passport Officer, Bengaluru, and A Rajeshwari, Deputy Passport Officer, ensured that they got the document in no time and are now readying for their US visas.

The families of Class 8 student D Belita Ross and Class 9 student Shashika Ramaswamy are now over the moon after getting the precious travel document.

Belita got her passport within 24 hours. Her mother, Ninitha Ashwini, a homemaker, said, "I am running out of words to explain this super efficient job. Everyone in the passport office went out of their way to help us."

Shashika R

D Belita Ross

Shashika's father, who is in the saree dyeing business, was at the passport office with his daughter on Monday. "The school principal made a call and requested the RPO to help us. The RPO gave us an immediate appointment. We got the passport so easily today," he said.

Her mother Sudamani R said, "We were very worried that not possessing a passport would have made her miss this golden opportunity. She was selected once in Class 6, but due to Covid, travel was not possible."

Explaining the group project, Shashika said, "We showcased the satellites being sent to space by NASA. I am just so excited that I will get to meet the great scientists involved in the work." Belita said, "I made it in my third consecutive attempt. I am overwhelmed."

Along with them, six others - Angel Dadhich, Ashitha R, Advik Shukla, Dhinesh Karthikeya, Gali Koushik Reddy and L P Avikshith - will head to the NASA conference accompanied by their principal.

NIA court can try offences under IPC, UAPA, says HC

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THE Karnataka High Court on Tuesday said that the Special Court for National Investigating Agency (NIA) cases has jurisdiction to try offences coming under both the IPC and the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (UAPA).

Passing the order rejecting the petition filed by Mohammed Shariff, an accused in the 2020 DJ Halli and KG Halli riots in the city, Justice M Nagaprasanna said the concerned court shall regulate its procedure to consider the expeditious disposal of the cases before it in relation to the incident.

The petitioner questioned the cognisance of the offences taken by the Special Court against several accused, including Shariff, under the UAPA, IPC and Prevention of Damage to Public Property Act.

The counsel of the petitioner, who is accused no. 25, would contend with a vehemence that the order of the Special Court bears no application of mind as there are no allegations against him that would touch upon offences punishable under the UAPA.

At best, the petitioner can be said to be alleged of offences punishable under the IPC and there cannot be any offence that can be alleged under the UAPA. Therefore, the petitioner has to be tried by the jurisdictional court, either the magistrate or the Sessions judge. Conducting a trial by the NIA court is contrary to law, the counsel argued.

In counter, the NIA's counsel would contend that the acts of the petitioner along with others clearly come within the definition of 'Terrorist Act' as defined under Section 15 of the UAPA and the NIA Court has the jurisdiction to try the offences under IPC and UAPA.

According to the NIA, the petitioner's call records are placed as a document on the chargesheet. The probe established the petitioner coordinating with the movements and activities of the other accused. He was in constant touch and was meeting participants who conspired to carry out the violent attack on police personnel.

KERALA WATER AUTHORITY E-TENDER NOTICE

Tender No : 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 & 6/23-24/SE/PHC/PKD

AMRUT 2.O - Laying distribution lines and Providing house connections Municipalities - (1) Ottapalam (2) Mannarkkad including OHSR (3) Shornur. (4) Palakkad Municipality Kalmandapam zone (5) Moothanthara zone (6) Mattumantha Zone. EMD: Rs. 200000 each, Tender fee: Rs. 11025 each, Last Date for submitting Tender: 25-04-2023, 03:00:pm. Phone: 04912544927
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POSSESSION NOTICE [Section 13(4)] (For Immovable Property)

Whereas The undersigned being the Authorized Officer of **Canara Bank,** under Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002) (hereinafter referred to as 'the Act") and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated **30.01.2023** calling upon the Borrower**/s (1) M/s. Adi Keshava Exports Pvt Ltd.,** # 777/45, Nagarur Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Huskur Road, Bengaluru-562162 **(2) Sri Keshavaramu H.R.,** S/o Ramaiah, Managing Director, M/s Adi Keshava Exports Pvt. Ltd., # 777/45, Nagarur Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Huskur Road, Bengaluru-562162 **(3) Smt/Miss Shwetha.H.K** D/o Sri. Keshavaramu.H.R, Director, M/s Adi Keshava Exports Pvt. Ltd., # 777/45, Nagarur Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Huskur Road, Bengaluru-562162 **(4) Smt/ Miss Shruthi.H.K.** D/o Sri. Keshavaramu.H.R, Director, M/s Adi Keshava Exports Pvt. Ltd., # 777/45, Nagarur Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Huskur Road, Bengaluru-562162 to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs.1,24,09,781.46/- (Rupees One Crore Twenty Four Lakhs Nine Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty One and Paisa Forty Six Only)** within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrowers and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under section 13 (4) of the said Act, read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this **05th day April 2023.**

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The Borrowers/Guarantors/Mortgagors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Canara Bank for an amount of Rs.1,24,94,242.46 (Rupees One Crore Twenty Four Lakhs Ninety Four Thousand Two Hundred Forty Two and Paise Forty Six Only)** as on **31.03.2023** and interest and other charges thereon.

Description of the Immovable Property

Property No. 1 : All that piece and parcel of land and buildings constructed thereon in Survey number 45/10 of Nagaruru Village, Dasanpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, measuring 0.14 guntas and bounded on the : East by : Sri. H.R.Keshavaramu's Land, West by : Smt. Asha Uthamchand's Land, North by : Road, South by : Smt. Asha Uthamchand's Land.

Property No.2 : Industrially converted land in Survey Number 45 of Nagaruru Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk bearing assessment number 45, Village Panchayath Khatha No. 777/45 measuring East to West 76.50 feet, North to South 306.50 feet (As per form 9 measuring is 305x76 feet or 23180 sqft) in all measuring 23447.25 sqft and bounded on the : East by : Private Property, West by : Road and Property on M/s Trident Switch, North by : Road, South by : Passage and property being share of Sri. Hari Ram.H.R.

Date : 05.04.2023
Place : Chikkabidarakallu

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

TATA CAPITAL HOUSING FINANCE LIMITED

Regd. Off.: 11th Floor, Tower A, Peninsula Business Park, Ganpatrao Kadam Marg, Lower Parel, Mumbai - 400013.
Branch Off.: No 82/1, Ground Floor, Krishna Towers, Richmond Road, Bengaluru - 560025.

NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY
(Under Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002)

E-Auction Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the below Borrower and Co-Borrower or their legal heirs / representatives (Borrowers) in particular that the below described immovable property mortgaged to **Tata Capital Housing Finance Ltd. (TCHFL),** the Possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of TCHFL, will be sold **on 28.04.2023** on "As is where is" & "As is what is" & "Whatever there is" basis for recovery of outstanding dues from below mentioned Borrower and Co-Borrowers. The Reserve Price and the Earnest Money Deposit is mentioned below. Notice is hereby given that, in the absence of any postponement / discontinuance of the sale, the said secured asset / property shall be sold by E-Auction **at 02:00 P.M. on the said 28.04.2023.** The sealed envelope containing Demand Draft of EMD for participating in E-Auction shall be submitted to the Authorised Officer of the TCHFL **on or before 27.04.2023 till 05:00 PM** at branch address Tata Capital Housing Finance Limited, No. 82/1, Ground Floor, Krishna Towers, Richmond Road, Bengaluru - 560025.

The sale of the Secured Asset / Immovable Property will be on "as is where condition is" as per brief particulars described herein below:

Sr. No.	Loan Account No. & Branch	Name of Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s), Legal Heir(s) / Legal Representative / Guarantor(s)	Amount as per Demand Notice	Reserve Price	Earnest Money
1)	10581107 & TCHHL064600010007 4512	Mrs. Gayathri R., Mr. Krishna KV	Rs. 3,17,483/- (Rupees Three Lakh Seventeen Thousand Four Hundred Eighty Three Only) is due and payable by you under Agreement No. 10581107 and an amount of Rs. 14,45,815/- (Rupees Fourteen Lakh Forty Five Thousand Eight Hundred Fifteen Only) is due and payable by you under Agreement No. TCHHL0646000100074512 totalling to Rs. 17,63,298/- (Rupees Seventeen Lakh Sixty Three Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Eight Only) 22.07.2022	Rs. 24,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Four Lakh Only)	Rs. 2,40,000/- (Rupees Two Lakh Forty Thousand Only)

Description of the Immovable Property: All that the piece and parcel of the Western Portion of the Property bearing Site No. 202/A, Guru Latha Layout, Rajarajeshwari, CMC Katha No's. 6/1 & 6/2 situated at Hosakerehalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bengaluru South Taluk, presently bearing Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike property Katha No. 815/433/430/202/A, BBMP Ward No. 26, Rajarajeshwari Nagar Range, measuring East to West: 19 + 3/2 Feet, South to North: 30' Feet, in total 300 Sq.Ft ., along and together with 4 Squares RCC Roofed residential house with all civic amenities **Bounded: East-** Remaining Portion of the Property; **West-** Road; **North-** Site No. 202; **South-** Road.

At the Auction, the public generally is invited to submit their bid(s) personally. The Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s) are hereby given last chance to pay the total dues with further interest **within 15 days** from the date of publication of this notice, failing which the Immovable Property will be sold as per schedule. The E-auction will be stopped if, amount due as aforesaid, with interest and costs (including the cost of the sale) are tendered to the Authorised Officer or proof is given to his satisfaction that the amount of such secured debt, interest and costs has been paid before the date of the auction.

No officer or other person, having any duty to perform in connection with this sale shall, however, directly or indirectly bid for, acquire or attempt to acquire any interest in the Immovable Property sold.

The sale shall be subject to the conditions prescribed in the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 and to the following further conditions:

The E-auction will take place through portal https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net on 28.04.2023 between 02:00 PM to 03:00 PM with limited extension of 10 minutes each.

Terms & Conditions: (1) The particulars specified in the Schedule herein below have been stated to the best of the information of the undersigned, but the undersigned shall not be answerable for any error, misstatement or omission in this proclamation. In the event of any dispute arising as to the amount bid, or as to the bidder, the Immovable Property shall at once again be put up to auction subject to the discretion of the Authorised Officer. **(2)** The Immovable Property shall not be sold below the Reserve Price. **(3)** Bid Increment Amount will be: **Rs. 10,000/- (Rupees Ten Thousand Only). (4)** All the Bids submitted for the purchase of the property shall be accompanied by Earnest Money as mentioned above by way of a Demand Draft favoring the "TATA CAPITAL HOUSING FINANCE LTD." Payable at Branch address. The Demand Drafts will be returned to the unsuccessful bidders after auction. For payment of EMD through NEFT / RTGS / IMPS, kindly contact Authorised Officer. **(5)** The highest bidder shall be declared as successful bidder provided always that he/she is legally qualified to bid and provided further that the bid amount is not less than the reserve price. It shall be in the discretion of the Authorised Officer to decline acceptance of the highest bid when the price offered appears so clearly inadequate as to make it inadvisable to do so. **(6)** For reasons recorded, it shall be in the discretion of the Authorised Officer to adjourn / discontinue the sale. **(7)** Inspection of the Immovable Property can be done **on 21.04.2023 between 11:00 AM to 05:00 PM** with prior appointment. **(8)** The person declared as a successful bidder shall, immediately after such declaration, deposit twenty-five per cent of the amount of purchase money / bid which would include EMD amount to the Authorised Officer within 24 Hrs. and in default of such deposit, the property shall forthwith be put to fresh auction / Sale by private treaty. **(9)** In case the initial deposit is made as above, the balance amount of the purchase money payable shall be paid by the purchaser to the Authorised Officer on or before the 15th day from the date of confirmation of the sale of the property, exclusive of such day, or if the 15th day be a Sunday or other holiday, then on the first office day after the 15th day. **(10)** In the event of default of any payment within the period mentioned above, the property shall be put to fresh auction/Sale by private treaty. The deposit including EMD shall stand forfeited by TATA CAPITAL HOUSING FINANCE LTD and the defaulting purchaser shall lose all claims to the property. **(11)** Details of any encumbrances, known to the TATA CAPITAL HOUSING FINANCE LTD, to which the property is liable: as per table above. Claims, if any, which have been put forward to the property and any other known particulars bearing on its nature and value: as per table above. The Intending Bidder is advised to make their own independent inquiries regarding encumbrances on the property including statutory liabilities arears of property tax, electricity etc. **(12)** For any other details or for procedure online training on e-auction the prospective bidders may contact the Service Provider, **M/s. e-Procurement Technologies Limited (Auctiontiger),** Address: B-704, Wall Street - II, Opp. Orient Club, Near Gujarat College, Ellis Bridge, Ahmedabad - 380006 Gujarat (India), Mob. : 9265562821 & Phone : 079 61200 594 / 598 / 559 / 587 / 554, Email ID: gujarat@auctiontiger.net or **Manish Bansal, Email ID: manish.bansal@tatacapital.com, Authorised Officer Mobile No. 8588983696.** Please send your query on WhatsApp Number - 9999078669. **(13)** TDS of 1% will be applicable and payable by the highest bidder over the highest declared bid amount. The payment needs to be deposited by highest bidder in the PAN of the owner/ borrower(s) and the copy of the challan shall be submitted to our company. **(14)** Please refer to the below link provided in secured creditor's website **https://bit.ly/435wNZh** for the above details. **(15)** Kindly also visit the link: **https://www.tatacapital.com/property-disposal.html.**

PLEASE NOTE: TCHFL has not engaged any broker/agent apart from the mentioned auctioning partner for sale/ auction of this property. Interested parties should only contact the undersigned or the Authorised officer for all queries and enquiry in this matter.

Place: Uttarahalli Hobli
Date: 12.04.2023

Sd/-
Authorised Officer,
Tata Capital Housing Finance Ltd.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that our client, Ms. V Chayadevi @ Chaya Venkatesh, D/o. Late M Venkatesh, aged about 55 years, residing at No.11, Sathvika Dreams, Flat TF-34 2nd Main Amarjyothi Layout, Sanjaynagar, Bengaluru – 560 094 is the absolute owner of the residential property situated in Site No.206 & 207, Mallathahalli Village, Ward No.12, Yeshwantpura Hobli, Bangalore North measuring about 3000 sq.ft. having acquired the same under the Sale Deed dated 28-07-2006 registered as Document No. BLN-1-25155-2006/07 of Book-I, stored in C.D. No.BLND300 in the office of Sub-Registrar, Bengaluru North (hereinafter referred to as the 'Sale Deed')

Our Client has lost the Original Sale Deed dated 28-07-2006 registered as Document No. BLN-1-25155-2006/07, and she has lodged a complaint with the jurisdictional police on 11.04.2023 regarding the loss of the said Original Sale Deed dated 28-07-2006.

Hence, all persons are hereby informed not to deal or carry out any transaction with anyone on the basis of the said missing document and anybody who finds the aforesaid original document is requested to hand over the same to us at the address mentioned below.

Vyshak P.N, Advocate,
Samya Law Chambers,
No. 327-328, 4th Floor, K.P. Heights, 80 Feet Road, Indiranagar, Bengaluru – 560 038.
Phone: (+91) 7406611230

PUBLIC NOTICE

It is hereby informed to **Sri. Ravindra M,** S/o Sri. Muniyappa, R/at. No.30, 6th Main, 16th Cross, AECS Layout, RMV 2nd Stage, Bangalore 560094 that you have entered in to a registered Memorandum of Understanding vide document no. BMH-4-00151-2019-20 of Book-4, stored in CD No. BMHD915 on 30-05-2019 and registered Power of Attorney vide document No. BMH-4-00152-2019-20 of Book-4, stored in CD No. BMHD915, on 30-05-2019 with respect of property which is more particularly described in the schedule hereunder with my client Smt. V.Sharada, Sri Manjunath V, Sri Sathyanarayana V, Smt. Varalakshmi AP, all residing at Banashankari 6th Stage, Bangalore 560060. It is further informed that you have not performed as per the terms and conditions of MOU. My client had already terminated the above said MOU & GPA and issued legal notice dated 21-03-2023 cancelling the above said MOU & GPA and forfeiting the earnest amount. Deliberately you have not received the RPAD and it has been returned with the shara "No Such Address" on 24-03-2023. Therefore my client is hereby cancelling the above said MOU & GPA dated:30-05-2019 and forfeiting the earnest money.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Survey Number 90/1 and 90/2 measuring 2 acres 10 guntas and 1 acre 3 guntas respectively of Byrasandra Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently identified as property bearing CTS no. 758 of P.T. Sheet 582, Corporation Ward No.169, Jayanagar 1st and 3rd Block (East) Bangalore 560011 and commonly bounded on the **East by:** 1st Main Road, **West by:** 15th Main Road, **North:** 18th Cross Road, **South:** Vasavi Temple and 22nd Cross Road.

V.K. SATHYA NARAYANA Advocate
No.42, 1st Main Road, K.G.Nagar, G.G.Halli, Bangalore-560019. Mobile: 9448014679
e-mail: mailtosathya@rediffmail.com

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PUBLIC NOTICE

The Original Documents of Title pertaining to the Property in Sy.No. 131 and 133, Plot No.25/A and Plot No.25/B of Chikkaballapura Industrial Area, Chikkaballapura District in the layout formed by the KIADB namely (1) Confirmatory Letter of Allotment dated 15.06.1993 (2) Possession Certificate dated 15.06.1993 (3) Sale deed dated 31.07.2002 registered as Document No.832/2002-03 of book I, Volume 1807, Pages 101 to 102 in the office of the Sub Registrar Chikkaballapur (pertaining to Plot No.25/A) (4) Sale deed dated 08.07.2002 registered as Document No.833/2002-03 of book I, Volume 1807, Pages 103 to 108 in the office of the Sub Registrar Chikkaballapur (pertaining to Plot No.25/B, held in deposit with my client State Bank of India, Jalahalli Branch, Bangalore, having been lost / misplaced, the lost Report dated 29.03.2023 having been issued by the Bangalore City Police, in Lost Report No.0517358/2023, the above Public Notice is now issued.

Any person having claim / in possession of the said documents may represent to the under signed within 10 days failing which it will be taken that there are no claims in regard to the same.

Sd/- **B. Srinivas,** Advocate
No. 123/A, Ground Floor, 5th Main
Mathikere, Bangalore - 560 054.
Mobile No. 9880026168

KERALA STATE ELECTRICITY BOARD LIMITED-E-TENDER NOTICE

Office of the Chief Engineer (Transmission South),
Vydyuthi Bhavanam, Thiruvananthapuram
1) E-Tender ID:2023_KSEB_570463_1
PAC - Rs12.2 Crore, Last date:26.04.2023, 04.00pm
2) E-Tender ID:2023_KSEB_570680_1
PAC-Rs.24.396 Crore, Last date 27.04.2023, 04.00pm
3) E-Tender ID:2023_KSEB_570304_1
PAC-Rs.21.13 Crore, Last date: 24.04.2023, 04.00pm
4) E-Tender ID:2023_KSEB_570649_1
PAC-Rs.11.744 Crore, Last date: 27.04.2023, 04.00pm
Visit www.etenders.kerala.gov.in and www.kseb.in
Ref: PR/MC1/E407/E-Tender/2023

PSPCL Punjab State Power Corporation Limited

Regd. Office: PSEB Head Office, The Mall, Patiala - 147001.
Corporate Identity No. : U40109PB2010SGC033813, Website : www.pspcl.in
(Contact No. 96461-22185)

Tender Enquiry No. 275/SS(D)-345/Spares **Dated: 10.04.2023**

Dy.CE / Substation Design / TS Organization, PSPCL, C-1, Shakti Vihar, PSPCL, Patiala invites E-tender for Manufacture, Testing and Supply of 2200 Nos. Heat Shrinkable Type Cable End Termination Kits of various Types suitable for Armored Single Core 11KV 300mm² Size Stranded Aluminum Conductor, XLPE Insulated, PVC Sheathed, Screened Cables. For detailed NIT & Tender Specification please refer to **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in** from **12.04.2023** (11:00 AM onwards)

Note: Corrigendum and amendments, if any, will be published online at **https://eproc.punjab.gov.in**

212/C-145/23-4/11/2023
76155/12/1550/2023/22923

OFFICE OF THE SUPERINTENDING ENGINEER CUTTACK (R&B) DIVISION NO.II: CUTTACK

E-Mail I.D.-eepwdcuttack2@gmail.com, Tel./ Fax No.(0671)-2973399

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA "e" procurement Notice

e-procurement Notice for Building work

B-43 **Bid Identification No. S.E. CTC(R&B)-II-01 of 2023-24**

1. Name of the work :- 05 No of Building Work
2. Estimated Cost :- Rs.1,53,94,022/-toRs.2,97,41,290/- (Civil+E.I+P.H)
3. Period of completion :- 6(Six) calendar Months
4. Date & time of sale & receipt of bid document :- From 12.04.2023 to 5 PM of 21.04.2023
5. Last date / time of receipt of bids :- 5 PM of 21.04.2023
6. Date & time of Opening of Bids :- 11AM of 24.04.2023
7. Name and address of the Officer Inviting Bid :- Superintending Engineer, Cuttack (R&B) Division-II, Cuttack

Further details can be seen from the e-procurement portal **http://www.tendersorissa.gov.in.** Any addendum/ corrigendum/ cancellation of tender can also be seen in the said website.

Sd/- A.K Behera
Superintending Engineer,
Cuttack (R&B) Division No.II **OIPR- 34137/11/0001/2324**

Government of Tamil Nadu

HIGHWAYS DEPARTMENT

Projects Circle, Chennai-16
TENDER NOTICE

Tender Notice No. 14/2022-2023/SDO/ Dated. 10.04.2023

For and on behalf of Governor of Tamil Nadu Item Rate tender through online only will be received upto 03.05.2023 15.00 hours by the Superintending Engineer (H) Projects Circle, Chennai for One Road Over Bridge work in respect of Chennai (H) Projects Division under the Honorable Chief Minister Announcement under Rule 110 of Tamil Nadu Legislative assembly Budget sessions 2013-14.

Details of Name of works, approximate value of works, EMD, availability of tender documents and all other details are available from 17.04.2023 onwards in the Government website **https://tntenders.gov.in** If any Changes / Corrections / Amendments etc to the tender, it will be published on the above Government website only.

DIPR/2081/Tender/2023

Superintending Engineer (H) (A/c),
Projects Circle, Chennai-16,

'சோதனை கடந்து சுதந்திரம் அடைந்தோம் சாதனை புரிந்து சரித்திரம் படைப்போம்'

Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA
OFFICE OF THE CHIEF CONSTRUCTION ENGINEER
RURAL WORKS CIRCLE, BERHAMPUR

(E-Mail:- serwbpr2004@yahoo.com, Tel/Fax:- 0680-2404287)
At:- Ambapua, Po:- Engineering School, Near Income Tax office, Berhampur-760011
E-Mail / E-despatch

NATIONAL COMPETITIVE BIDDING THROUGH e-Procurement
O-37 **Bid Identification No. Online Tender/02-2023-24/BPR**

Identification No	Name of work	No. of Works	Approx. Estimated Cost (In lakh)	Class of Contractor	Period of Completion
Online Tender / 02-2023-24/BPR	Bridge Works (BSY) for 2022-23	01 No	Rs. 391.37 lakhs	"A" Class as applicable	12 (Twelve) Calendar Month as provided

Procurement Officer	Bid Identification No	Availability of tender online for bidding	
		From	To
Chief Construction Engineer, R.W.Circle, Berhampur	Online Tender/02-2023-24/BPR	13.04.2023 at 10.00 A.M.	27.04.2023 upto 3.00 P.M.

(i) EMD / Bid Security, Cost of Bid document is to be transferred through Online as per the procedure mentioned in the DTCN.
(ii) Non-submission of the information/documents through online by the bidder as per the items mentioned in the eligible criteria of the DTCN will also liable for rejection of his tender.
Further details & Corrigendum if any can be seen from the website: - www.tendersodisha.gov.in

Sd/- P.K.Jena
Chief Construction Engineer, R.W.Circle, Berhampur **OIPR- 25071/11/0003/2324**

ANDHRA PRADESH STATE WAREHOUSING CORPORATION

(A State Government Undertaking)
D.No. 55-17-3, Stalin Corporate Building, 2nd Floor, Behind Autonagar Bus Stand, VIJAYAWADA - 520 007. A.P.
Phones No. 0866-2556244, 2556344

SWC/M2/610/Wooden crates-Pur/ 2023-24, Date: 11-04-2023

NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER

We are Inviting E- Tenders in Two Bid (Technical Bid & Price Bid) System for Supply of Wooden Crates on Annual Rate Contract basis. Interested Bidders may Contact at Our Head Office on Phone No.**0866-2556244, 2556344** or view on Website: **https://tender.apeprocurement.gov.in.** Tender notice may also be viewed in our website : **apswc.ap.gov.in.**
Tender ID for wooden crates : **608061.**

Sd/-
Managing Director

Indian Overseas Bank

Information Technology Department
Central Office: 763, ANNA SALAI, CHENNAI-600002
Indian Overseas Bank (IOB) invites bids for the following:

GOVERNMENT E-MARKET PORTAL- SUPPLY, IMPLEMENTATION AND MAINTENANCE OF CHATBOT & WHATSAPP BANKING

BID NO: GEM/2023/B/3336987 DATED 06.04.2023

The Above GEM Tender document is also available and can be downloaded from the following websites **www.iob.in & www.gem.gov.in** For Tender details and future amendments, if any, keep referring to the following website **www.gem.gov.in**

EAST COAST RAILWAY

e-Tender Notice No. GSU-ST-SBP-TENDER-2023-02, Dt.05.04.2023

Name of Work : SIGNAL & TELECOM PORTION OF WORK FOR THE PROVISION OF TWO NOS. ADDITIONAL LOOP LINES AT ARANG MAHANADI STATION.
Tender Value (₹) : ₹ 1,65,19,177,02, **Bid Security (₹) :** 2,32,600/-
Date and time of closing of tender : At 1100 hrs of 28.04.2023.

No manual offers sent by Post/Courier/ Fax or in person shall be accepted against such e-Tenders even if these are submitted on firm's letter head and received in time. All such manual offers shall be considered invalid and shall be rejected summarily without any consideration.

NOTE : The prospective tenderers are advised to revisit the website 15 days before the date of closing of tender to note any changes / corrigenda issued for this tender.
Complete information including e-tender documents is available in website http://www.ireps.gov.in.

Dy. Chief Signal & Telecom Engineer/ GSU
PR-06/CG/23-24 **Sambalpur**

STATE BANK OF INDIA

Stressed Assets Recovery Branch,
No.11/90, III Floor, Opp. Trust Well Hospital ,
Near Old Shivaji Theatre, J.C.Road,
Bengaluru - 560 002.
Ph: 080-25943663, 25943664
e-mail Id: sbi.05173@sbi.co.in

CORRIGENDUM

Reference to auction Sale Notice sent to Borrower on 27.03.2023 to Smt. Babita in which bid increment is shown as Rs.40000/- instead of Rs.10,000/- in Annexure B and which should be read as Rs.10,000/-. This is for the information of the Borrower and general public .

11.04.2023
Bangalore

Sd/-
Authorised Officer

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the General Public that my client intends to purchase the Schedule Property from **MRS.JINU H. PAVITHRAN** (Aadhar No.6303 3548 0726), Aged about 64 years, D/o Sri. E. M. Harikeshan, Residing at No.24, Sy No.85/1, Horamavu Agara Main Road, Near Maruthi Vidhyalaya Horamavu, Kalyan Nagar, Bangalore -560043.

Any person having any objection regarding the said sale transaction, may contact the undersigned advocate with relevant documents within 15 days from the date of this publication failing which it shall be deemed that there is no objection of any nature and my client will complete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Plot/Site No.21, in Property No.10/1A, Situated at Seegehalli Village, Krishnarajapura Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, presently comes within the limits of BBMP, Ward No.53, Bangalore, measuring East to West 65 Feet and North to South 40 Feet, totally measuring 2600 Sq.ft., and bounded on the: East by Private Property, West by Road, North by Plot No.22 and South by Plot No.20. Consisting of AC sheet house measuring 2 Squares with electricity and water connection.

Sd/- **K.R.Bharadwaj & Associates,**
Advocates,
No.32, 1st Floor, Sukh Sagar Cross Road,
3rd Cross, 3rd Main K.K. Halli,
Bangalore -560084. Ph. 9844011141
E-mail: krblawassociates@gmail.com

UJVN Limited

(An Uttarakhand Govt. Enterprises)
H.O. "UJJWAL" Maharani Bagh, GMS Road,Dehradun.-248006
Phone No. 0135-2763808, Fax : 0135-2763508
CIN No. U40101UR2001SGC025866, Website: www.ujvnl.com

RO. No. 323 **E-TENDER NOTICE** Date: 11.04.2023

Office of the Executive Engineer (E&M-II), Lakhwar MPP (3x100MW) Dakpathar, Dehradun invited online bid from interested parties. Brief summary of tender is given below:
Tender No. 01/EE(E&M-II)/LP/2023-24
Name: Works of Revamping & Refurbishment of 33/11 kV Lakhwar Substation, Kaldriyan, Tehsil Nain Bagh Tehri Garhwal.
Estimated cost: ₹13.61 Cr. (excluding taxes)
Date of availability of bid document on website: 17.04.2023 at 15:00 hrs.
Last date of submission of bid on website: 18.05.2023 at 16:00 hrs.
For fuller & further details, kindly visit e-procurement portal http://uktenders.gov.in.

Executive Engineer(E&M-II)

"AVOID WASTEFUL USE OF ELECTRICITY"

TUMKUR VEERASHAIVA CO-OP BANK LTD,

A.O. Dr. S. Radhakrishnan Road, S.S. Puram, Tumkur - 572102,
Ph No. : 0816 - 2254394, Fax : 0816 - 2254027, E-Mail : tvcbank@gmail.com

NOTIFICATION

We would like to draw the attention of Members, Depositors, Locker Holders, Well Wishers and Public that our existing **Tumkur Veerashaiva Co-op Bank Ltd, No 615, 1st Floor, 4th Stage Vinayaka Extn, Nagarabavi, Bangalore – 560072,** will be shifted to new premises : **No 524/A, "Sreekara", 4th Cross Road, 11th Block, 2nd Stage Nagarabavi, Bengaluru – 560072** on **27.04.2023, Thursday at 10.00 am,** Members and Account Holders are requested to extend co-operation and to continue their banking relationship with us.

(Note: Locker holders are requested to take off their valuables from locker temporarily, if required and to redeposit the same after shifting. The lockers will be shifted to **"As is where is" As is What is"** condition).

Mrs. B. S. Kalpana
CEO (Incharge)

President, Vice President
And Board of Directors

Manager, Tumkur Veerashaiva Co-op Bank Ltd.,
Nagarbhavi Branch, Bangalore.

THE NEW INDIA ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED

(Govt. of India Undertaking)
Regional Office (670000)
2-B, Unity Building Annexe, P Kalinga Rao Road (Mission Road)
Bangalore – 560 027. CIN: L6600OMH1919GOI000526

PUBLIC NOTICE – CLOSURE/RELOCATION OF OFFICES

This is for the information of the General Public that the following offices of our company situated at following location under Bangalore Regional Office will be closed w.e.f. 31.05.2023. All the policy holders of these offices will continue to enjoy uninterrupted services from the following offices as well as online services.

Sl No.	Offices to be Closed	New Policy Servicing Office with Address
1	The New India Assurance Co. Ltd., White Field Micro Office (670404) Sy. No.S/3, BBMP Katha No. 1208/6, 1st Floor, Immadihalli Main Road, Hagdur Village, KR Puram, Bangalore East - 560066	The New India Assurance Co. Ltd., Mahadevapura Business Office (670403), 1st Floor, Shreyasraj Building, Opp. VST Tillers Tractors, Garudachar Palya, Whitefield Road, Bengaluru – 560048. Tel: 080-22443967 / 28511126 / 28517017
2	The New India Assurance Co. Ltd., Hosakote Micro Office (672105), No.14, Shop No.4, First Floor (East Facing) Medahalli, Opp. KR Puram RTO, Virgonagar PO, Bangalore - 560049	The New India Assurance Co. Ltd., Business Office (672100), Unity Building Tower block, 4th Floor, JC Road, Bengaluru – 560002. Tel-080 22220411 / 22117334
3	The New India Assurance Co. Ltd., Kengeri Micro Office (671903), No.150 / 151, 1st Floor, Chennaja Complex, Bangalore-Mysore Road, Beside Kengeri Police Station, Kengeri, Bangalore - 560060	The New India Assurance Co. Ltd., Business Office (671900), No. 51/2 Vanivilas Road, 1st Floor, Vinay Complex, Basavanagudi, Bengaluru – 560004. Tel: 080-22420374 / 26221223 / 26608429

Sd/-
Deputy General Manager
Bengaluru R O (670000)

PARADIP PORT AUTHORITY
e-TENDER CALL NOTICE

No.:MD/SPG-1-12/2022/456 Date: the 06th April 2023

Name of the Work: Supply of 01 no. Unmanned Aerial Vehicle (UAV) (Drone) System for Paradia Port Authority including Installation, Commissioning, Certification, Test, Trial and Training for a period of five years (Comprehensive Warranty of 02 Years + Annual Maintenance Contact for 03 Years) including Buy Back. Estimated Cost: **Rs.1,36,15,000/- Plus GST.** Last Date and time of submission of tender through on-line bidding is 1600 hours on Dt. 25.05.2023. Technical Bids shall be opened at 1630 hours on Dt.26.05.2023. For further details please logon to the Website: https://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app.

Sd/- Dy. Conservator, PPA

PPA/PR/01/2023-24 **dtd.11.04.2023**

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform the general public that my client has entered in to an agreement to purchase the Schedule property from **1. Sri. B.Muniyappa** S/o late R.Munishamappa, aged about 77 years, **2. Smt. V.M.Papamma** W/o B Muniyappa, aged about 73 years, **3. Smt. Manjula** D/o Muniyappa, aged about 49 years, **4. Sri.Muralikrishna** S/o B.Muniyappa, aged about 45 years, **5. Sri. Mohan Kumar** S/o B Muniyappa, aged about 45 years, all are Residing at No.B-13, 20th Cross, 7th B Main, N.S.Palya, BTM 2nd Stage, Bilekahalli Bangalore-560076, If anybody has got any legitimate claim over the same they can put forward their claim within **10 days** from the date of publication of this Notice along with relevant documents to the under signed. Claims that are received after ten days from the date of Publication of this notice will not be taken into consideration.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of land bearing Sy.No.13/2, New No.13/5, measuring 36 guntas, situated at Rayasandra Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, having the following boundaries: **East by:** Property belongs to Appalappa, **West by:** Property belongs to Srinivasa and brothers, **North by:** Property belongs to Chikkaanjanappa, Doddaanjanappa and Narayanappa, **South by:** Property belongs to Munikrishnappa.

T.SESHAGIRI RAO, ADVOCATE
230, 2nd Cross, 2nd Main,
Mahalakshmi Layout, Bangalore-560086,
PH.23494850 Dated:11-4-2023

BEFORE THE SENIOR VI ADDL. PRL. JUDGE FAMILY COURT AT BENGALURU
M.C. No. 2105/2020

BETWEEN : Smt. Vinaya .B ... PETITIONER
AND: Sri. Manjunatha .R ... RESPONDENT

NOTICE TO THE RESPONDENT

To: **Sri. Manjunatha .R,** S/o. Late. Revanna, aged about 48 Years, Presently R/at SCPL Supraha Colour, No:10,11 & 11-A, J.C. Industrial Estate, Yelachanahalli, Bengaluru - 560062. Also R/at: 79/1, Nethaji Road, Near SJPTA School, Thyagarajanagar, Bengaluru-560028.

NOTICE

WHEREAS the petitioner in the above petition has filed the above petition for dissolution of the marriage and the petition filed U/S. 13 (i-a) of Hindu Marriage Act You are hereby summoned to appear in person before this Hon'ble VI Addl. Principal Family Judge at Bengaluru. Take Notice that in default of your appearance on the day of. **07-06-2023** the petition will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of this Hon'ble court on 23-03-2023.

By order of the court, Sheristedar, family Court, Bangalore.

Advocate for Petitioner: **Smt. RANI .S**
Advocate & Legal Consultant
Office at TF No.8, Balaji Residency, Near Sadhana School, Bsk 6th Stage, Bengaluru-560062. Mob: 8123603139.

IN THE COURT OF CITY CIVIL JUDGE AT BENGALURU (CCH-26)
G & W.C. No.11 of 2023

BETWEEN: Minor child Master K.J. Trishaan, aged about 13 years, S/o Mr. K.V. Jayaprakash and Mrs. K.J. Savitha, now residing with his father, Represented by his father and natural guardian, Mr. K.V. Jayaprakash, aged about 67 years, R/at No.166, Rajatha, Krishna Rao Sindhya Road, V.V. Puram, Bangalore - 560 004. ... **Petitioner**

AND: Nil ... Respondent

PUBLIC NOTICE

WHEREAS the above named Petitioner have filed the above Petition under Section 8(2)(a) of the Hindu Minority and Guardianship Act, 1956, seeking the permission of the Hon'ble Court to alienate, sell, dispose of the Schedule Property belonging to Master K. J. Trishaan to any intending purchaser who pays adequate/ valuable market value over the Schedule Property.

It is to hereby, notify that any person/ persons having any claim over the same, they may appear before this Hon'ble Court and submit their objection on or before **31st of May, 2023** at 11:00 A.M without fail. Failing which the Petition will be heard and determined ex-parte.

SCHEDULE A
(LARGER PROPERTY)

All that piece and parcel of immovable property presently bearing BBMP Khata No. 516/4 (old survey No.152/1AB, 2AB, 3AB, 4AB, 5AB, 6AB, 7AB, 10AB and 153, earlier portion of land bearing Survey No.152/1A, measuring 28 (Twenty Eight) Guntas, situated at Yelahanka Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, bounded as; On the East: Land bearing Survey No. 152/2 and Police Quarters; On the West: Allalsandra Boundary (Oni); On the North: Doddaballapura Road State Highway; On the South: Land bearing Survey No. 152/2.

SCHEDULE B
(SCHEDULE PROPERTY)

All that 1/5th share of property presently bearing BBMP Khata No. 516/4 (old survey No-152/1AB, 2AB, 3AB, 4AB, 5AB, 6AB, 7AB, 10AB and 153, earlier portion of land bearing Survey No.152/1A, measuring Twenty Guntas), situated at Yelahanka Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, bounded as; On the East: Land bearing Survey No. 152/2 and Police Quarters; On the West: Allalsandra Boundary (Oni); On the North: Doddaballapura Road State Highway; On the South: Land bearing Survey No. 152/2.

Given under my hand and the seal of the court on this 10-04-2023.

By order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.

Address for Service:
Hitendra Hiremath, Advocate,
TF1, Lotus Kaveri Apartments, 4th Floor, Pappama Layout, Near D-Mart, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bengaluru- 560016.

PUBLIC NOTICE

TO WHOMSOEVER IT MAY CONCERN

My client is negotiating to purchase the Schedule Property from **Sri. N.SURESH,** Aged about 43 years, Son of Sri.H.K. Narayanappa, Residing at Haddosiddapura Village, Carmelaram Post, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore-560035 .who has represented that he is having clear and marketable title over the Schedule Property.

Any persons claiming to have any right or claims or objection, may lodge their objections or claim along with supporting documents with the undersigned within7 days from the date of publication of this notice.

If no such objection or claims is received within the prescribed time, my client will proceed to complete the transaction. If any objection and claim is lodged beyond the prescribed period it shall not be reckoned and it shall be deemed that all objections and claims by whomsoever are waived.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

Item No.1: All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing **Site No.01, Carved out of Sy.No.104/1A,** (converted by the order of the Special Deputy Commissioner by his Order No.**ALN(EVH)SR/69/2009-10, Dated: 03-08-2009)** situated at Dodda Kannelli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Now comes under the Jurisdiction of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and assigned as **Katha No.1016/104/1A/02**

Measuring:
East Side : 40 Feet
West Side : 40 Feet
North Side : 50 Feet
South Side : 50 Feet
Totally measuring 2000 Square Feet

East by : 20 Feet Own Road
West by : Remaining Portion of Sy No.104/1A
North by : Site No.02
South by : Remaining Potion of Site No.01

Item No.2: All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Site No.02, Carved out of Sy.No.104/1A, (converted by the order of the Special Deputy Commissioner by his Order No.ALN(EVH)SR/69/2009-10, Dated: 03-08-2009) Situated at Dodda Kannelli Village, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Now comes under the Jurisdiction of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike and assigned as Katha No.543/104/1A/02

Measuring:
East Side : 42 Feet 8 Inches
West Side : 44 Feet 10 Inches
North Side : 50 Feet
South Side : 50 Feet
Totally measuring 2172.5 Square Feet

East by : Road
West by : Remaining Portion of Sy No.104/1A belonging to Manjunatha @ M.Manjunatha Reddy & R.Bharathi
North by : Survey No.92
South by : Site No.01

B. Srinivas, Advocate
"SUNDERA RAMA" No.230, 39th 'C' Cross, 9th Main, 5th Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore-560041, 9900148162
srinivasadvocate@gmail.com
Bangalore Date:11-04-2023

बैंक ऑफ़ बड़ौदा Bank of Baroda

ROSARB, Bangalore South , 4th Floor, Vijaya Tower, Trinity circle, Bangalore- 560001,
Telephone No.: 080-25584066 (Extn: 128)
Email: sarbes@bankofbaroda.co.in Website: www.bankofbaroda.in

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES "APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6)]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of **Bank of Baroda,** Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** for recovery of below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below –

Sr/ Lot No.	Name & Address of Borrower/s Guarantor/s, Mortgagor (s)	Short Description of The Immovable Property With Known Encumbrances, If Any	A. Branch Name B. Account Number C. Total Dues	Date & Time of E-Auction	A. Reserve Price B. EMD Amount C. BID Increase Amount. D. Last Date of EMD E. Possession	Property Inspection Date & Time
1	**M/S. J. C. GROUP, Partners:- Sri M.Jayachandra, Smt. M. Devaki, Sri J. Vinay, Sri J. Sunil Kumar,** # 231, 4th Cross, Naidu Layout, Arehalli, BSK 3rd Stage, Bengaluru – 560 061.	All that piece and parcel of the residential property Bearing site No 231, BBMP Katha No SL No 612/09/231, situated at arehalli village Uttarahalli Hobli Bangalore South Bangalore New PID No 184-W0190-27 together with 6 Square AC sheet roofing House Constructed thereon Admeasuring East to West 40 feet and North to South 60 feet all measuring 2400 Sq Ft, Bounded by: East By : Site No 232, West By : Site No 230, North By : Road, South By : Private Property **Property belongs to Smt. M. Devaki. KNOWN ENCUMBRANCES: NIL**	A.ROSARB - BANGALORE SOUTH B. 73980600000502 C.Rs.5,03,37,263/- os on 10.04.2023 and with further interest from 11.04.2023 onwards and along with costs and other charges etc.,	17.05.2023 2.00 PM TO 6.00 PM	A.RS.1,33,92,000/- B.RS.13,39,200/- C.25,000/- D .16.05.2023 E.PHYSICAL POSSESSION	AFTER 24.04.2023

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to the link provided in https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm and https://ibapi.in. Also, prospective bidders may contact the authorized officer on Tel No.080-25584066 (ext 710) and Mobile No.7483914701.

Date: 11.04.2023
Place: Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer,
Bank of Baroda

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

SALEM DIVISION (SIGNAL & TELECOM BRANCH)

E - Tender Notice No. SA-SG-120-I-OT-01 to 05 - 2023

Dated: 07.04.2023

Senior Divisional Signal & Telecommunication Engineer / Southern Railway / Salem Division, Salem - 636 005 for and on behalf of the President of India invites ONLINE tenders for the following works as per tender notice given in our e-tender portal www.ireps.gov.in The tenderer(s) / contrator(s) intending to apply for e-tender for WORKS in Salem Division, need to get enrolled in the e-tender portal "www.ireps.gov.in" and only online tenders will be accepted. Payment of Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) & Tender Document Cost (TDC), in respect of e-tendering, should be accepted through net banking or payment gateway only. Fixed Deposit Receipt (FDR) will not be accepted as EMD for tenders invited on IREPS (e-tender portal).

Sl. No.	Name of work
1	Tender Notice No. SA-SG-120-I-OT-01-2023; Salem Division : Provision of Double Distant signal arrangements in JOLARPET - BUDDIREDDIPATTI Section; Approximate cost of the Work: ₹ 6,59,73,517.80; Earnest Money Deposit : ₹ 4,79,900.00; Cost of tender form : Nil; Eligibility criteria for similar single work previously: Applicable; Period of Completion in months : 12 months.
2	Tender Notice No. SA-SG-120-I-OT-02-2023; Salem Division : Provision of Double Distant signal arrangements in BUDDIREDDIPATTI - SALEM Section; Approximate cost of the Work: ₹ 7,88,61,632.71; Earnest Money Deposit : ₹ 5,44,300.00; Cost of tender form : Nil; Eligibility criteria for similar single work previously: Applicable; Period of Completion in months : 12 months.
3	Tender Notice No. SA-SG-120-I-OT-03-2023; Salem Division : Provision of Double Distant signal arrangements in SALEM - ERODE Section; Approximate cost of the Work: ₹ 7,39,56,162.71; Earnest Money Deposit : ₹ 5,19,800.00; Cost of tender form : Nil; Eligibility criteria for similar single work previously: Applicable; Period of Completion in months : 12 months.
4	Tender Notice No. SA-SG-120-I-OT-04-2023; Salem Division : Provision of Double Distant signal arrangements in ERODE - SOMANUR Section; Approximate cost of the Work: ₹ 6,99,17,816.06; Earnest Money Deposit : ₹ 4,99,600.00; Cost of tender form : Nil; Eligibility criteria for similar single work previously: Applicable; Period of Completion in months : 12 months.
5	Tender Notice No. SA-SG-120-I-OT-05-2023; Salem Division : Provision of Double Distant signal arrangements in SOMANUR - PODANUR Section; Approximate cost of the Work: ₹ 5,81,58,635.57; Earnest Money Deposit : ₹ 4,40,800.00; Cost of tender form : Nil; Eligibility criteria for similar single work previously: Applicable; Period of Completion in months : 12 months.

Sl.No.1 to 5; Tender closing date and time: 29.04.2023 at 14.00 Hrs. Note: Details of approximate value of tender, tender form cost, EMD & location are given on the e-portal, "www.ireps.gov.in" For other details, terms and conditions, the tenderers are advised to refer to the Tender documents which are available at "www.ireps.gov.in" website

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SOUTH INDIAN Bank
CIN: L65191KL1929PLC001017

Regional Office: SIB Arcade, #61, Wheeler Road, Cox Town, Bangalore – 560 005. Tel./ Fax No: +91 80-25479091 / 92
E-mail: ro1010@sib.co.in
Website: www.southindianbank.com

APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to rule 8 (6)]
Sale notice for sale of immovable properties

Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8(6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to The South Indian Bank Ltd, Branch Tumkur (Secured Creditor), the Physical Possession of which was taken on 02.03.2023 by the Authorised Officer of The South Indian Bank Limited, Regional Office Bangalore (Secured Creditor), will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and " Whatever there is" on 28.04.2023, for recovery of an amount of **Rs.30,54,79,547.36** (Rupees Thirty Crore Fifty Four Lakh Seventy Nine Thousand Five Hundred Forty Seven and thirty six paisa only) as on 10.04.2023 due to The South Indian Bank Limited, Branch Tumkur, (Secured Creditor) from **M/s Swarnmandir Jewel Designer Private Limited,** (CIN:U33208KA2009PTC050106) IInd floor, Santhrupthi Complex, Vivekananda Road, Tumkur 572101 and the Guarantors, **(1) Mr. Kishoor Kumar Pukharaj alias Kishoor Kumar P alias Kishore Kumar P alias Kishor Kumar P,** (Director, M/s Swarnmandir Jewel Designer Private Limited) **(2) Mrs.Sobha K, Director, M/s Swarnmandir Jewel Designer Private Limited (3) Mr. Aditya Kishoor,** No.1 to No.3 residing at: #73, Rajagopal Nagar Main Road, Karnataka Urban Co-operative Society Layout, Peenya, Bangalore - 560058., **(4) Mr. Mohan Raj Parameshwara, S/o. Parameshwara K** (Director, M/s Swarnmandir Jewel Designer Private Limited) **(5) Mr. Kumaresh K, (6) Mr. Jagadeesh K, (7) Mr. Parameshwara K,** No.4 to No.7 residing at No.8, O.T.C. Road, Next to Sharada Theatre, Bangalore-560002.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES

All that piece and parcel of property bearing Municipal no 8 (earlier 8 and 8/2), Sree Dharmaraya swamy Temple Road (Formerly OTC Road) , PID No. 47-5-8, New PID No : 119-W0070-149, BMP Ward No.47, New Ward No.119, Sree Dharmarayaswamy Temple , Formerly OTC Road, Bangalore City, measuring East and West 81' 11" each, North: 50'6", South: 75'6" i.e. about 5170 Square feet together with building measuring about 9977.15 Square feet i.e. Commercial building in 4 floors(GF,FF,SF,TF) on the front side and Residential building in rear portion of GF & FF with stair case and common amenities Bounded on East by: 9' Open Passage and thereafter Sharadha Talkies, West by: Private property, North by: Sree Dharmarayaswamy Temple Street formerly OTC Road, South by: Private Property. The property is held by Mr. Parameswara K, Mr Kumaresh K and Mr Jagadeesh K under Partition Deed Doc. No 4401/04-05 dt 15.12.2004 SRO Gandhinagara, Banglore Urban District

Reserve Price	**Rs.18,44,86,500.00 (Rupees Eighteen Crore Forty Four Lakh Eighty Six Thousand Five Hundred Only)**
Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	**Rs.1,84,49,000.00 (Rupees One Crore Eighty Four Lakh Forty Nine Thousand Only)**
Date of Sale & Time	28.04.2023 at 11.30 A.M.
Date and time for submitting Tender along with EMD	28.04.2023 at 11.00 A.M.
Place of Sale	**The South Indian Bank Ltd.,** Regional Office, No.61, SIB Arcade, Wheeler Road, Cox Town, Bangalore – 560 005.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in South Indian Bank Ltd, (Secured Creditor) website i.e. **www. southindianbank.com**

Date : 11.04.2023 **Sd/- Authorised Officer (Chief Manager)**
Place : Bangalore **The South Indian Bank Ltd.**

KERAFED
A Govt. of Kerala Enterprise
H.O: Kera Tower,Water Works Compound Vellayambalam, Trivandrum, Pin: 695 033
Tel: 0471-2320504, 2326209
Email: keralfedproj@gmail.com, www.kerafed.com

E-TENDER NOTICE

- **PET Bottles**
  TENDER ID 2023_KFD_560834_1
  Bid submission closing date: 18th April 2023, 12.00 hrs
- **Mechanical Spares**
  TENDER ID 2023_KFD_560834_1
  Bid submission closing date: 24th April 2023, 12.00 hrs
- **HDPE Bottles** (Re - Tender)
  TENDER ID 2023_KFD_560838_1
  Bid submission closing date: 24th April 2023, 12.00 hrs

For E- Tender submission, visit www.etenders.kerala.gov.in Sd/- Managing Director

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SHIFTED REGISTERED OFFICE

It is informed that the registered office of **Premier Fabric Sourcing LLP** (bearing LLPIN : LLPIN: AAD-2178) is being shifted **From:** # 102, Shreeji Kiran, Opp: Dwarkadish Temple, Tejpal Road, Vile Parle East, NA Mumbai, Mumbai City, Maharashtra 400057.
To, 2nd Floor, SVP Arcade, No. 54 (Old No. 48), Sudhamanagar, Lalbagh Road, Bangalore-560027 with effect from 10/04/2023.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The general public are hereby informed that our Client is desirous to purchase the immovable property more fully described in the Schedule hereunder and herein after referred to as the 'Schedule Property', from its Owner, **SIC STOCKS & SERVICES PRIVATE LIMITED** having its registered office at Unit Nos. 1301-1302, 13th Floor, Prestige Meridian II, No. 30 M.G.Road, Bangalore -560 001.
Any person/s having any right, title, interest or claim in the Schedule Property or any part thereof in any manner or having any claim against the Schedule Property or the documents thereof or against the Owneror objecting to such sale should lodge their objections and/or claims in writing along with documentary evidence in support thereof, with the undersigned **within 15 days** from the date of publication of this notice, after which period our Client shall proceed on the basis that there are no claim/s of whatsoever nature with regard to the Schedule Property.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the residential Apartment No. 904, presently bearing Municipal No. 20/274, PID No. 63-159-20/196 in Ninth Floor of the Block "ATHENS", at the building "ACROPOLIS", having super built up area of 3955 sq. ft. together with Terrace area of 1100 sq.ft, Private Terrace Garden of 2100 Sq.Ft, along with 3 car parking spaces, together with undivided right, title,interest, ownership of 1523.07 square feet in the property bearing Municipal No. 20, Hosur Road, Madiwala, Division No 63, Bangalore, presently Dr. M.H.Marigowda Road, Adugodi, Bangalore and the said property is bounded on the **East by** : Hosur-Bangalore Road; **West by :** Hosur-Bangalore Road; **North by :** Private Property in S.No.67 of Adugodi; and **South by :** Private property in S.No.151 of Koramangala.

JYOTHI REGO, Partner
ALMT Legal, Advocates & Solicitors,
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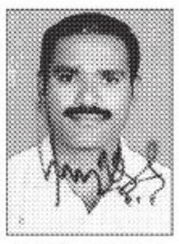
VEERASHAIVA SAHAKARI BANK LTD.,

Administrative Office : No. 1732/32, M.C.Road, M.C.Layout, Vijayanagara, Bengaluru-560 040 Phone : 23307070 / 23358017 Fax : 23148550
E-mail : vsbbengaluru@gmail.com

AUCTION SALE OF THE RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY



BARROWER

GURANTOR

Auction Sale of the Immovable property, Residential Building, mortgaged to the **M/s. Veerashaiva Sahakari Bank Ltd,** Admin Off, No.1732/32, M C Road, M C Layout, Vijayanagar, Bengaluru-560040, under the Securitisation and Re-construction of financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002. The Auction Sale is **'AS IS, WHERE IS AND WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS'**

Sl No.	Name & Address of the Borrower and Guarantors	Description of the Residencial Property Mortgauged to Bank	Amount Due to the Bank	Date of Public Auction
1	**Sri Umesh K. G.** S/o Late Gangaiah No. 5G, Aaradhana, 10th B Cross, Sanjeevappa Layout, Nagavarapalya, Bengaluru-560093 **Loan A/c No. MTLN / 136 (Basaveswaranagar Branch)** Name of the Guarantor: **Smt. Kavitha K .S.** W/o Umesh K.G. residing address as above **Reserve Price** **Rs. 1,29,90,720/-** (Rupees one crore twenty nine lakh ninety thousand seven hundred twenty only)	Property standing in the name of **Sri Umesh K.G.** S/o. Late Gangaiah, bearing Property Site No. 5G, Khatha No.213/3, Nagavarapalya, K.R.Puram Hobli, Sir C.V. Ramannagar, BBMP Ward No. 83, Bengaluru East, Bengaluru-560093. **Measuring :East to West : 40 Ft. North to South : 30 Ft. Total 1200 Sqft. and bounded on :** East by : Road West by : Property belongs to Thimmareddy & Karthik.T North by : Site No. 8 South by : Site No. 4 **EMD** (Refundable) **Rs.13,00,000/-** (Rupees thirteen lakh only)	**Principle Due Rs. 63,32,572/-** (Rupees sixty three lakh thirty two thousand five hundred and seventy two only) interest and other charges due **Rs. 33,91,791/-** (Rupees thirty three lakh ninenty one thousand seven hundred and ninenty one only) as on 10-04-2023 and further interest & other charges as applicable.	**18-05-2023 Thursday at 11.00 a.m.**

Place of Auction :
Veerashaiva Sahakari Bank Ltd.,
Admin. Office, No. 1732/32, M.C.Road, M.C.Layout, Vijayanagara, Bengaluru-560 040.

Demand Notice issued U/s 13(2) of the Said Act on 14-07-2021
Possession Notice issued U/s 13(4) of the said Act on 20-09-2021

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AUCTION SALE

1. The Public Auction will be conducted in the premises at **Veerashaiva Sahakari Bank Ltd.,** Admin. Office, No. 1732/32, M.C.Road, M.C.Layout, Vijayanagara, Bengaluru-560 040.
2. Bids should be submitted in a closed cover addressed to the Authorised Officer and should reach the above address accompanied by a refundable interest free EMD, in the form of **RTGS/NEFT/Pay Order/Demand Draft** of a Scheduled Bank favouring of **M/s. Veerashaiva Sahakari Bank Ltd.,** Bengaluru. A/c **Sri Umesh K.G.** S/o Late Gangaiah Payable at Bengaluru on or before 4.30 P.M. on 17-05-2023
   The sale will be in **'AS IS WHERE IS AND WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS'.**
3. The property will not be sold below the **'RESERVE PRICE'**
4. The Successful bidder should pay 25% of the bid amount (inclusive of EMD) immediately on the same day and the balance 75% of the bid amount within 15 days thereafter. If the successful bidder defaults in effecting payment or fails to adhere to the terms of sale in any manner, the amount already deposited will be forfeited and he/she shall not have any claim on such forfeited amount or to the property, which will be sold subsequently.
5. On confirmation of sale by the authorised officer and if the terms of payment have been complied with the authorised officer exercising the power of sale shall issue a sale certificate of Immovable property in favour of the purchaser in the form given in appendix-V of the Securitization Act, 2002.
6. The EMD of the unsuccessful bidder will be returned immediately on conclusion of the auction.
7. At any stage of the auction, the authorised officer shall have the power to accept or reject the bids or postpone/ cancel the auction without assigning any reason thereof including addition or deletion of other terms.
8. All other charges, expenses like conveyance, Electricity, BWSSB, Legal, Stamp duty, Registration Fee, Arrears of Tax charged if any, shall be borne by the purchaser only.
   For further details, Please contact the Branch Manager, Basaveswaranagar Branch, during office hours between 9.00 am to 4.30 pm on any working day. Contact Telephone No. 080 23485393 & Mobile No.9986038907 or Authorised Officer, Contact Telephone No. 080 23358017 & Mobile 9986038903
9. For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending bidders are at liberty to make their own inspection/assessment, enquiries about the property
10. The Sale is subject to the confirmation by the bank. **This is also a notice to the borrower for information and necessary action.**

sd/-
Authorised Officer,
Veerashaiva Sahakari Bank Ltd.,
Bengaluru-560 040

Bengaluru
Date : 11-04-2023

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK
(A scheduled commercial bank)

Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

DEMAND NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF SARFAESI ACT, 2002.

Whereas you the below mentioned Borrower's, Co-Borrower's, Guarantor's and Mortgagors have availed loans from **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited,** by mortgaging your immovable properties. Consequent to default committed by you all, your loan account has been classified as **Non-performing Asset,** whereas **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** being a secured creditor under the Act, and in exercise of the powers conferred under section 13(2) of the said Act read with rule 2 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued **Demand notice** calling upon the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors as mentioned in column No.2 to repay the amount mentioned in the notices with future interest thereon within **60 days** from the date of notice, but the notices could not be served on some of them for various reasons.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	Loan Account No. & Loan Amount	Details of the Security to be enforced	Date of NPA & Demand Notice date	Amount Due in Rs. / as on
1	1) Mrs. Aishwarya K Naik, Also at M/s. Chima Boys Provision Store, 2) Mr. Punith Kumar A, Also at M/s. Durga Tools, 3) Mrs. Yallamma	Loan Account No. 45349430000811 LoanAmount: Rs.4,60,524/-	**Schedule-II - Details of Secured Assets - Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Assessment No.304, Khatha Sl.No. 195, situated at Palanajogihalli Village, Kodigehalli Grama Panchayath, Kasaba Hobali, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bengaluru Rural District and **Bounded on: East by:** Nyathappa sold by someone, **West by:** Property belongs to Parvathamma and Marakka, **North by:** Government Road, **South by:** House belongs to Shahina. Measuring East to West 39 Ft. and North to South 37 Ft.	Date of NPA: 03-04-2023 Demand Notice Date: 10.04.2023	Rs.4,81,721.80 (Rupees Four Lakh Eighty One Thousand Seven Hundred Twenty One and Paisa Eighty Only) **dues as on 04-04-2023**
2	1) Mr. Parthiban J, Also at: M/s. Janalakshmi Financial Service, 2) Mrs. Vennila P, 3) Mr. Balaraman, Also at: M/s. M R F Ltd.	Loan Account No. 30258300000298 LoanAmount: Rs.6,06,000/-	**Schedule-II - Schedule-A - (Description of Immoveable Property):** All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted lands totally measuring about 11 Acres and 18 Guntas including the Kharab Land in Survey Nos.39/1, 39/2, 40/3 and 42/1 all situated at M Medehalli, Attibele Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, Bangalore and **Bounded on the: East by:** Lands in Survey No.43, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Mayasandra Gadi, **South by:** Lands in Survey No.41. **Schedule-B (Property to be Conveyed):** The undivided share, right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A' property mentioned above works out to 195 Square Feet. **Schedule-C - (Apartment):** Residential Apartment bearing No.B-106, Khatha No. 429, Assessment No.T-S-FF-B-106, First Floor of Tower-5, consists of One Hall, One Bed Room, Kitchen, Bath Room and a balcony in the Residential Apartment Complex Known as "JANAADHAR SHUBHA" construction on the Schedule 'A' Property, having a super built up area of 400 Sq.ft with vitrified flooring and the proportionate share in the common areas such as passage/s, stair/s, duct/s, well and/or room/s, water drainage and/or electrical conduct/s and/or other area/s used in common with the Purchaser/s of other Apartment/s and is **Bounded on: East by:** Open Space, **West by:** A-105, **North by:** Open Space, **South by:** Corridor. The Super Built Area means and includes the exclusive floor area of each Apartment Unit and the proportionate areas covered by common wall/s, passage/s, stair/s, duct/s, well and/or room/s, water drainage and/or electrical conduct/s, parks, and/or other area/s used in common with the Purchaser/s of other Apartment/s. **Schedule-D (List of Facilities):** Storm water storage, Recharge pits, Rain water collection tank, STP- treated & reused, Overhead tank, Bore well water treated & used, UG sump & Pumps, Solar street lighting & Dual flush system for WC's.	Date of NPA: 08-10-2020 Demand Notice Date: 10-04-2023	Rs.7,20,761.54 (Rupees Seven Lakh Twenty Thousand Seven Hundred Sixty One And Fifty Four Paisa Only) **due as on 09-04-2023**
3	1) Mr. Shoaib Ahmed Khan, 2) Mrs. Mohsina Khanum, W/o. Mr. Shoaib Ahmed Khan	Loan Account No. 30129040000105 LoanAmount: Rs.3,00,000/-	**Schedule-II - Details of Secured Assets - Mortgaged Immovable Property:** All that piece and parcel of the western half portion of the property bearing Site No.18, Katha No.1092, H.L. No.1084/3, Situated at Devarajeevanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, Measuring East to West 15 Feet and North to South 40 Feet, in Total measuring 600 Square Feet together with One (1) Square House built with mud walls, provided with mud flooring, A.C.Sheet roofing and electricity facility only along with all the rights, liberties, privileges, appurtenances, etc, weather underneath or above the surface and **Bounded on: East by:** Remaining portion of Site No.18, **West by:** Site No.19, **North by:** Site No.23, 24, 25, **South by:** Twenty (20) Feet Wide Road.	Date of NPA: 28-02-2018 Demand Notice Date: 10-04-2023	Rs.6,62,223.00 (Rupees Six Lakh Sixty Two Thousand Two Hundred Twenty Three Only) **dues as on 04-04-2023**
4	1) M/s. Pratam Food Products Represented by its Proprietor Mr. Ramachandra Nagar, 2) Mr. Ramachandra Nagar Proprietor of M/s. Pratam Food Products, 3) Mrs. Bhawari Bai	Loan Account No. 30198850006077 LoanAmount: Rs.10,00,000/-	**Schedule-II (Description of Immoveable Property):** All that piece and parcel of the Property bearing Vacant Site No.312, Khatha No.20, Assessment No.9, formed out of Sy.No.9, situated at Sonnenahalli Village, KengeriHobli, Bangalore South Taluk, with in the limits of Bruhath Bangalore Mahanagara Palike, Kengeri Sub-Range and measuring East to West: 30-0 feet, North to South: 20-0 feet, Totally measuring 600 Sq.feet and **Bounded on the: East by:** Road, **West by:** Site No.267, **North by:** Site No.313, **South by:** Site No.311.	Date of NPA: 02-07-2018 Demand Notice Date: 10-04-2023	Rs.17,83,518.19 (Rupees Seventeen Lakh Eighty Three Thousand Five Hundred Eighteen and Nineteen Paisa Only) **due as on 09-04-2023**

Notice is therefore given to the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor & Mortgagor as mentioned in Column No.2, calling upon them to make payment of the aggregate amount as shown in column No.6, against all the respective Borrower/ Co-Borrower within **60 days** of Publication of this notice as the said amount is found payable in relation to the respective loan account as on the date shown in Column No. 6. It is made clear that if the aggregate amount together with future interest and other amounts which may become payable till the date of payment, is not paid, **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** shall be constrained to take appropriate action for enforcement of security interest upon properties as described in Column No.4. Please note that this publication is made without prejudice to such rights and remedies as are available to **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** against the Borrower's/ Co-Borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors of the said financials under the law, you are further requested to note that as per section 13(13) of the said act, you are restrained/ prohibited from disposing of or dealing with the above security or transferring by way of sale, lease or otherwise of the secured asset without prior consent of Secured Creditor.

Date: 12.04.2023, Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer, For Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

POSSESSION NOTICE

Whereas, the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** (Formerly known as Janalakshmi Financial Services Limited)., under the Securitization And Reconstruction of Financial Assets And Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and in exercise of powers conferred under section 13(2) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002 issued **demand notices** to the borrower(s)/ Co-borrower(s) calling upon the borrowers to repay the amount mentioned against the respective names together with interest thereon at the applicable rates as mentioned in the said notices within **60 days** from the date of receipt of the said notices, along with future interest as applicable, incidental expenses, costs, charges etc incurred till the date of payment and/ or realisation.

Sr. No.	Loan No.	Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	13(2) Notice Date/ Outstanding Due (in Rs.) as on	Date/ Time & Type of Possession
1	30198644125043 & 30199660000812	1) M/s. Divya Traders, 2) Beeresh V M, 3) Mrs. Prema Yellappa	**29.11.2022, Rs.9,70,362.88** (Rupees Nine Lakh Seventy Thousand Three Hundred Sixty Two and Paise Eighty Eight Only) **& Rs.1,75,142.10** (Rupees One Lakh Seventy Five Thousand One Hundred Forty Two and Paise ten Only) **due as on 23-11-2022**	**Date: 08-04-2023 Time: 09:30 A.M. Symbolic Possession**
	Description of the Property: All that piece and parcel of property bearing in respect of site No.1, Khatha No.128 at present V.P.Khatha No.58, situated at Veerasandra Village, Somanahalli Gramapanchayat, Nettigere, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore. Measuring East to West 40 feet on the North to South 30 feet and **Bounded on the: East by:** Road, **West by:** Smt. Savita's 1/A Property, **North by:** Passage and Muniraju's Property, **South by:** Muninarasappa's Property. Measuring East to West 30 Ft and North to South 40 Ft Totally measuring 1200 Sq.ft.			
2	45348640000124 & 45349660000630	1) S L R Tyre Re-Treading Industry, 2) Mr. Mallikarjunappa G R (Proprietor) 3) Mrs. Sumithra	**23.11.2022, Rs.53,51,410.90** (Rupees Fifty Three lakh Fifty One Thousand Four Hundred ten and paisa Ninety Only) **& Rs.6,05,229.00** (Rupees Six Lakh Five thousand Two Hundred Twenty Nine Only) **respectively as on 20-11-2022**	**Date: 08-04-2023 Time: 10:45 A.M. Symbolic Possession**
	Description of the Property: All the piece and parcel of the property No.15/4, in Katha No.15/4 measuring in East to West: 60.ft. and North to South: 60 ft totally measuring: 3600 Sq.ft. Situated at "Vittasandra Village" Beguru Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore District, Now Coming under the limits of Dodda Thoguru Village Panchayath. **Bounded on: East by:** Mr. R. Srinivas's Property, **West by:** Road, **North by:** Mr. R. Srinivas's Property, **South by:** Mr. R. Srinivas's Property.			
3	30198850006551	1) M/s. Kumari Provision Store (Proprietor), 2) Mr. Sandeepa K, 3) Mr. Sampath K K	**24.01.2023, Rs.1,56,590.11** (Rupees One Lakh Fifty Six Thousand Five Hundred Ninety and Paisa Eleven Only) **as on 23-01-2023**	**Date: 08-04-2023 Time: 12:00 P.M. Symbolic Possession**
	Description of the Property: All that piece and parcel of property bearing Site No.16/A, Property No.59/59/16A, New BBMP Katha No.2618, Old Katha No.59, Property No.59, Parappana Agrahara Village, Begur Hobli, Presently comes under BBMP Limits Bangalore South Taluk and **Bounded by: East by:** Road, **West by:** Site No.21A, **North by:** Site No.16, **South by:** Road. **Measuring:** East to West: 40 feet North to South: 15 Feet. Total measuring 600 Square Feet.			
4	30198850006778	1) Abhi Enterprises, 2) Mr. Hanumappa, 3) Mr. Veerappa	**10.01.2023, Rs.21,91,057.00** (Rupees Twenty One Lakh Ninety One Thousand Fifty Seven Only) **due as on 05-01-2023**	**Date: 08-04-2023 Time: 02:30 P.M Symbolic Possession**
	Description of the Property: All that piece and parcel of the Southern portion of property bearing Survey No.29, Site No.59, Kodhichikkanahalli Village, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Presently comes under BBMP Ltd. **Bounded On: East:** Road, **West:** Site No.60, **North:** Road, **South:** Site No.51. Measuring East to West: 30 Ft and North to South: 40 Ft, In total 1200 Sq.ft.			

Whereas, the Borrower's/ Co-borrowers'/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors, mentioned herein above have failed to repay the amounts due, notice is hereby is given to the Borrower's mentioned herein above in particular and to the Public in general that the authorized officer of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited** has **taken possession** of the properties/ secured assets described herein above in exercise of powers conferred on him under section 13 (4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the said rules on the dates mentioned above. The Borrower's/ Co-borrower's/ Guarantor's/ Mortgagors, mentioned herein above in particular and the Public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the aforesaid properties/ Secured Assets and any dealings with the said properties/ Secured Assets will be subject to the charge of **Jana Small Finance Bank Limited.**

Place: Bangalore **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Date: 12.04.2023 **For. Jana Small Finance Bank Limited**

JANA SMALL FINANCE BANK
(A scheduled commercial bank)

Registered Office: The Fairway, Ground & First Floor, Survey No.10/1, 11/2 & 12/2B, Off Domlur, Koramangla Inner Ring Road, Next to EGL Business Park, Challaghatta, Bangalore-560071.

VEERASHAIVA SAHAKARI BANK LTD.,

Admin. Office : No. 1732/32, M.C.Road, M.C.Layout, Vijayanagara, Bangalore - 560 040 Phone : 23307070 / 23358017 Fax : 23148550
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AUCTION SALE OF RESIDENTIAL VACANT SITE

Borrower

Gurantor

Auction Sale under Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest 2002 of the Residential Site mortgaged with **M/s. Veerashaiva Sahakari Bank Ltd,** Admin. Office : No. 1732/32, M.C.Road, M.C. Layout, Vijayanagara, Bengaluru-560 040. Vacant Site Property, the Auction is under **' AS IS, WHERE IS AND WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS '**

Sl No.	Name & Address of the Borrower and Guarantor	Description of the Residential Site Mortgauged to Bank	Amount Due to the Bank	Date of Public Auction
1.	**Sri Kiran Krishna Reddy** S/o Late Kondaiah 'Srirama Nilaya' 6th Main, Opp. to SRS Building, Kammagondanahalli, Jalahalli West, Bengaluru-560015 **Loan A/c No. : MTLN / 10080 (Rajajinagar Branch)** **Name of the Guarantor:** **Smt. Lakskmi Prasanna** W/o Kiran Krishna Reddy residing address as above **Reserve Price** **Rs. 52,80,000-00** (Rupees fifty two lakh eighty thousand only)	Vacant Site Nos. 6 & 7, Khata No. 60/4/12/6/7, (Old Survey No. 60 then 60/3 & New Survey No. 60/4 of Shettyhally Village, Yeshawanthapura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk) Royal Street, Shettyhally, BBMP Ward No. 12, T.Dasarahalli Zone, Bengaluru **Measuring :** **East to West : 30 feet** **North to South : 80 feet,** **Totally 2400 Sq Feet.** & bounded on: East by : Road West by : Private Property (Sriram Properties) North by : Site No. 05 South by : Private Property **EMD** (Refundable) **Rs.5,28,000-00** (Rupees five lakh twenty eight thousand only)	**Principle Balance Rs. 82,04,680-00** (Rupees eighty two lakh four thousand six hundred and eighty only) and **Interest due Rs. 5,40,501-00** (Rupees five lakh forty thousand five hundred one only) as on 10-04-2023 and further interest and other charges as applicable	**17-05-2023 Wednesday at 11.00 a.m.**

Place of Autuion : Veerashaiva Sahakari Bank Ltd.,
Admin. Office, No. 1732/32, M.C.Road, M.C.Layout, Vijayanagara, Bengaluru-560 040.

Demand Notice U/s 13(2) of the Said Act issued on 08-01-2021
Possession Notice U/s 13(4) of the said Act issued on 18-10-2022 and Published on 22-10-2022

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF AUCTION SALE

1. The Public Auction will be conducted in the premises at **Veerashaiva Sahakari Bank Ltd.,** Admin. Office, No. 1732/32, M.C.Road, M.C.Layout, Vijayanagara, Bengaluru-560 040.
2. Bids should be submitted in a closed cover addressed to the Authorised Officer and should reach the above address accompanied by a refundable interest free EMD, in the form of **RTGS/NEFT/Pay Order/Demand Draft** of a Scheduled Bank favouring of **Veerashaiva Sahakari Bank Ltd.,** Bengaluru. A/c **Sri Kiran Krishna Reddy** S/o Late Kondaiah Payable at Bengaluru on or before 4.30 P.M. on 16-05-2023
   The sale will be in **'AS IS WHERE IS AND WHATEVER THERE IS BASIS'.**
3. The property will not be sold below the **'RESERVE PRICE'**
4. The Successful bidder should pay 25% of the bid amount (inclusive of EMD) immediately on the same day and the balance 75% of the bid amount within 15 days thereafter. If the successful bidder defaults in effecting payment or fails to adhere to the terms of sale in any manner, the amount already deposited will be forfeited and he/she shall not have any claim on such forfeited amount or to the property, which will be sold subsequently.
5. On confirmation of sale by the authorised officer and if the terms of payment have been complied with the authorised officer exercising the power of sale shall issue a sale certificate of Immovable property in favour of the purchaser in the form given in appendix-V of the Securitisation Act, 2002.
6. The EMD of the unsuccessful bidder will be returned immediately on conclusion of the auction.
7. At any stage of the auction, the authorised officer shall have the power to accept or reject the bids or postpone/ cancel the auction without assigning any reason thereof including addition or deletion of other terms.
8. All other charges, expenses like conveyance, Electricity, BWSSB, Legal, Stamp duty, Registration Fee, Arrears of Tax charged if any, shall be borne by the purchaser only.
   For further details, Please contact the Branch Manager, Rajajinagar Branch, during office hours between 9.00 AM to 4.30 PM on any working day. Contact Telephone No. 080 23402145 & Mobile No.9986038905 or Authorised Officer Contact Mobile 9986038903.
9. For inspection of the property and other particulars, the intending bidders are at liberty to make their own inspection/assessment, enquiries about the property
10. The Sale is subject to the confirmation by the bank. **This is also a notice to the borrower for information and necessary action.**

sd/-
Authorised Officer,
Veerashaiva Sahakari Bank Ltd.,
Bengaluru-560 040

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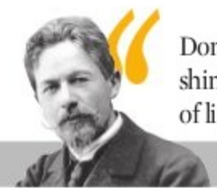

"Don't tell me the moon is shining; show me the glint of light on broken glass" — Anton Chekhov

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— Ramnath Goenka

RURAL CRISIS PLAN ON AGENDA WITH CHANCES OF DEFICIENT RAINS

The first monsoon forecasts have begun, and there is cause for worry. Private forecaster Skymet Weather predicted 'below normal' rainfall of around 94% of the average because of the strengthening El Nino phenomenon. The official meteorological department (IMD) concurs there will be an 'El Nino effect' but says rains will be 'normal-to-below-normal'. The 'El Nino' effect means the warming of the ocean waters in the Pacific equatorial belt is likely to weaken easterly winds that carry monsoon vapour across the Indian peninsula. Skymet has hedged its bets by giving a 40% weightage to 'below-normal' rainfall but has also said chances that it will be 'normal' are just 25%. 'High temperatures' are expected through May and June. More ominously, the deficiency is expected to increase with the advance of the monsoon, and the food bowl of Punjab, Haryana, Rajasthan and Uttar Pradesh is likely to get less-than-normal rains during the second half of the season.

Global warming is becoming endemic; India is also seeing weather changes in the form of unseasonal rains and blistering off-season heat that destroys crops. Nearly half our population is directly dependent on agriculture, and the monsoons provide about 70% of the annual rainfall, while monsoon rains irrigate 60% of farmlands.

Normal rainfall spurs food grain production for the broader economy, translating into a vast purchasing power for the rural population. This spurs the buying and production of consumer goods, keeping the wheels of industry and employment turning. While numerous weather predictions change or are proven wrong, a possible deficient monsoon is a serious worry. Weather forecasting is getting more detailed, and a crisis management plan identifying the districts and villages likely to be affected by drought needs to be put into motion. These should include contingency plans for providing alternative irrigation and post-monsoon food support to drought-prone areas. Bolstering the rural employment guarantee scheme (MGNREGS) in areas that may suffer deficient rains must be on the agenda too. More than 15 crore rural workers are registered under the scheme, and the guaranteed minimum of 100 days of employment has proved to be a lifeline for those on the verge of poverty. In the long term, this can also be a reminder to boost alternative irrigation measures like water harvesting and tapping river systems.

GUESS WHO WILL CRY OVER SPILT MILK IN KARNATAKA

Union Minister for Home and Cooperation Amit Shah, on December 30, 2022, in Mandya, stressed cooperation between Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation (GCMMF) and Karnataka Milk Federation (KMF) to strengthen milk cooperatives in India. On April 5, GCMMF managing director Jayen Mehta announced plans to push GCMMF's AMUL milk and curds through e-commerce platforms into Karnataka. The first raised fears of a planned "merger" between the two; the second, a symptom of times to come for the KMF. Both combined to snowball into a controversy on the ground. It led to a pre-poll narrative that the BJP at the Centre, with the help of the BJP-led Karnataka government, is clandestinely planning to merge the two federations and "destroy" KMF's popular Nandini brand.

For the opposition parties in Karnataka, it offered an ideal opportunity to whip up emotions against the ruling BJP, especially among the 26 lakh dairy farmers in Karnataka who supply milk to KMF. The spin doctors are in overdrive. Emotions spread through various segments of the Kannadiga society, each falling in line with the Nandini brand of products under KMF. Protests erupted in some areas, with the chauvinism of Karnataka Rakshana Vedike (KRV) coming into play.

KMF—the second largest milk cooperative in India with an annual turnover of ₹25,000 crore after GCMMF (₹72,000 crore)—undoubtedly holds a position of pride among Kannadigas. Its products are in high demand not just within the state but also in Maharashtra, Goa, Tamil Nadu, Andhra Pradesh and Telangana. However, AMUL and Nandini are products of the White Revolution, set in motion in 1970 and led by Dr Verghese Kurien to transform the then dairy-deficient country into a global leader in milk production, with GCMMF and KMF being highly successful cooperative enterprises today. Their competition has so far remained healthy, which is why KMF chairman, Balachandra Jarkiholi, has categorically denied any possibility of a tie-up or merger between them, even if the Centre attempts it.

With the issue becoming a political hot potato, the plans of AMUL milk and curds coming into Karnataka may be put off until after the polls. But the opposition has resolved to keep the issue burning until the elections. Who will end up crying over this spilt milk remains to be seen.

QUICK TAKE

WEIGHT OF EDUCATION

A school in Rajasthan's Jaipur district has turned 100% digital. The students use tablets, and heavy school bags are things of the past. The syllabus is accessed on tablets. Teaching no longer requires textbooks and blackboards. Teachers and students underwent digital teaching and learning lessons before launching e-classes. One day, this could be the face of education in the country. Till then, millions of students await ideas to reduce the burden of carrying books. They include having lockers in schools and attaching blank pages to textbooks for writing notes. The government should know when the ideas will bear fruit.

Erasing a fragment seems parochial while a Gandhian-style confession would have been more impressive. The regime must learn to experiment with truth rather than tinker with it

ERASE HISTORY FROM BOOKS, BUT IT WON'T LEAVE MEMORY

SHIV VISVANATHAN
Social scientist associated with THE COMPOST HEAP, a group researching alternative imaginations

SOUMYADIP SINHA

Contemporary newspaper reports, often presented as isolated items, tend to mislead. One needs a context, an embedding in a social environment, a sense of chronology to create the texture and tenor of the story and its sense of truth. Recent articles on the censorship of history in NCERT textbooks illustrate this. I remember the first time this controversy arose over three decades ago. The atmosphere smelled of debate and difference. There was vigour and vitality to both sides, the Left in particular showing that there is creativity and trusteeship in scholarship. I remember a debate at the Delhi school of Economics, where historians like Romila Thapar and Sumit Sarkar were both courageous and incisive. One misses the effervescence of these moments.

Sadly, when controversies surface again, there is a touch of banality to them. The word used by the NCERT director to justify his decision was "rationalisation". It hints that this is not the opening up of a new controversy but a mopping-up operation. It implies that the basic work has been done and a bit of pruning is all that is required. In fact, as one reads the reports now, what one senses is not a rectification of the past as injustice but a reordering of the future as a new possibility.

The BJP regime, already facing the election of 2024, is ensuring that its future does not become an embarrassment. The regime is reordering memory. It is clear that majoritarian memories to survive must rework history. Now, anyone who challenges the official world of history is both anti-government and anti-national. Patriotism merely becomes a chorus called the official. For the regime, censorship of NCERT books is an attempt to rework the future. It is seen as an act of pruning or gardening, implying that pruning culture is as natural as trimming a plant.

One has to realise that at the level of culture, something deeper is happening. We are not merely invoking the rectification of history as symptomatic of the struggle for power. The canvas is larger: we are moving to a control of governance through memory. The regime realises the importance of orality and folklore as being powerful alternative frames. Orality and folklore as memory require a world of norms and rituals. Orality is continuously inventive and the BJP realises that the governance of memory has to be more encompassing than historical rewriting. The regime now adds the monitoring of memory to the control of information. Its sense of Orwell is more orderly and cynical.

What one gasps at in futility is the silence of dissenters and scholars. There is little that is spontaneous in ritual negativity. The efflorescence of debates and ideas that once haunted these events no longer exists. At the most we summon a few foreign scholars to talk about the vitality of Mughal culture. Erasure and rectification are now norms of the new civic culture. Rectification is now a part of the new government model of progress. An Indian take on the new post-truth societies.

One senses this acutely as one examines the list of erasures the BJP indulges in. Firstly, the BJP has to exorcise the stigmata of Gandhi's assassination. Simultaneously, it has to rewrite the Gujarat riots and erase it as an index of genocide. It has to erase any sense of Mughal tolerance or syncretism. Each act, while connected, requires a different style of thinking and control.

Let's consider the Gujarat riots. The Delhi riots of 1984 and the Gujarat violence of 2002 represented a different kind of violence. But both these riots were no longer seen as occasional and random but systematic acts of extermination of people. Genocide was woven into the texture of the act and rape was openly methodological. The perpetrator pretends he is a victim restoring himself to history. Oddly, even rape becomes a restoration of justice. For instance, many rapists felt that rape was an attempt to redeem the honour of Padmini. Banality of brutal rape becomes critical. Elections merely confirm the link between the power of majoritarian violence and the ruthless efficacy of majoritarian governments. The sordid history of the Gujarat riots disappears from the NCERT textbook. The erasure of memory becomes a self-righteous task while the minority—Muslim—watches helplessly.

Gandhi has been the most problematic figure for the RSS and BJP. Gandhi's assassination by Godse is a stigma that the regime cannot erase. Yet, Gandhi is too original to be internalised or adopted by the regime. His non-violence is indigestible, his satyagraha too immaculate yet everyday for the BJP to imitate. BJP icons like Veer Savarkar cut little ice before Gandhi as an exemplar. Yet, that fragment of history concerned with his assassination eludes the Orwellian clutches of the BJP regime. Blanket erasure seems to be the only alternative. The moral and political complexity of Mohandas Gandhi haunts them. Gandhi is a reminder of the limited imagination of the BJP cadres. The only feasible solution is to erase history and empty the textbook so the regime can later invent a new affiliation to Gandhi. But memory is complex, inventive and recalcitrant. Gandhi will forever haunt this regime. His two worlds of 'Satyagraha' and 'Swaraj' elude them. Only 'Swadeshi' is a word they can partly nibble at and domesticate. Erasing a textbook fragment seems a parochial act while confession in Gandhian style would have been more impressive. The regime has to learn to experiment with truth rather than tinker with it.

The third story is an older attempt where Mughals like Akbar are denied any sense of tolerance or syncretism. They are merely branded as outsiders. The regime wants to order marginal minorities and their dissent, domesticating them within the mainstream monolithic imagination of the majority. Despite the power of media and censorship, India as a culture is too inventive. Suppressing the folklore of Gandhi or the rumour of the Gujarat riots will never be total. These events are too seductive to memory. There is little a regime can do beyond hacking a textbook. One has to realise that as lethal as post-truth is, our myth, folklore and gossip are worlds which are difficult to control. History as a method and official ideology needs to learn from them and move towards a plurality of narratives. Democracy remains democracy when it continually renews and reinvents a pluralistic self. It is this that history needs to record.

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BJP PLAYING ITS KASHMIR CARD THE PDP WAY

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It is the People's Democratic Party (PDP) that brought BJP into Kashmir and made it familiar with the local politics. This is a general feeling among the people of Kashmir regarding the BJP's penetration, though not rise, into the Valley. The 2014 Assembly elections, followed by a seismic shift in PDP's political stand, helped BJP expand its footprints in Kashmir. The election results turned out to be a cliffhanger, with PDP and BJP winning 28 and 25 seats respectively, while the ruling National Conference (NC) reduced to 15 seats only.

Despite offers of unconditional support by NC and Congress to PDP for the formation of a non-BJP government, the party, after a flurry of parleys with the right-wing leadership, stitched an alliance with BJP. It took a little over two months for both the parties to come together and finally, Mufti Mohammad Sayeed was sworn in as the chief minister of undivided Jammu and Kashmir on March 1, 2015.

Political pundits billed the alliance as "unholy" as both the parties were at odds with each other, given their political and ideological outlook. Mufti, on the other hand, pulled out all the stops to justify the alliance with the party he would mince no words to upbraid in public meetings.

Following the death of Mufti, his daughter Mehbooba Mufti re-stitched the alliance and it lasted up until June 19, 2018.

Mehbooba saw a tumultuous tenure—a despicable wave of violence following the killing of popular militant commander Burhan Wani and high noon of new-age militancy re-animated by his death. The BJP completely prevailed upon Mehbooba and her party. It would not be an overstatement to say that she and her party easily capitulated to the demands of BJP.

The Agenda of Alliance (AoA)—a pact between PDP and BJP—was hardly respected and implemented, though Mehbooba always shouted from the rooftops, admiring the documents. She, however, adopted some policies and initiated steps that provided a template for the present dispensation.

One could easily draw an analogy between the two. In October 2016, her government banned the publication of Srinagar-based English language newspaper *Kashmir Reader*, calling it a threat to "public tranquility". The ban remained in force for a good three months. Police also raided the printing locations of several newspapers and seized newspaper copies. The move had raised the spectre of Emergency. Mobile phones and data services also remained off-limits. Similarly, what the Valley witnessed after the Centre read down the special constitutional provisions of J&K was well-nigh a repeat of that period, though there had been no civilian killings in 2019.

PTI

> The social media policy of the Mehbooba-led PDP-BJP government and now its reiteration is bound to deprive government employees of the rights they have as citizens of this country

On March 24, the government issued (or say re-issued) elaborate guidelines regarding the use of social media by government employees. The guidelines bar these employees from criticising the governments on social media platforms, and non-compliance could land them in hot water. The move has drawn fierce criticism from political parties in Kashmir. Mufti, who emerged as a trenchant critic of BJP after it jilted her, slammed the party for issuing the circular. She wrote on Twitter:

"Whether it was blacklisting contractors and the social media gag to employees, a clear intimidation of dispossessing people in J&K of their livelihood has emerged. Authorities have become judge, jury and executioner in complete violation of the fundamental rights of people."

It seems that either Mehbooba has a mind like a sieve or she tweeted out of sheer innocence. A third element that we refer to in colloquial terms as "playing politics" can't be ruled out as the reality is in deep contrast to what Mehbooba tweeted.

An 18-page order with the subject 'Guidelines on the usage of social media by Government Employees' was actually issued and enacted by the Mehbooba-led PDP-BJP government in December 2017. The order was issued after amending the Jammu and Kashmir Government Employees Conduct Rules. It not only barred the employees from criticising the government's policies but also prohibited them from discussing any policy pursued by the government.

"No government employee through any post, tweet or otherwise discuss or criticise on social media any policy pursued or action taken by the government nor shall he in any manner participate in any such discussion or criticism that takes place on social media pages/communities or on microblogs," reads the December 2017 order.

The March 24 circular is a repeat of the same social media policy which Madam Mehbooba enacted during her political hay days, and the Lieutenant Governor administration has only sought adherence to the same order. One wonders if Mehbooba has any moral ground to criticise the policy.

Even the policy at that time had met with severe criticism, with opposition political leaders saying that it lays bare the authoritarian tendencies of the state government.

The social media policy of the Mehbooba-led PDP-BJP government and now its reiteration is bound to deprive government employees of the rights they have as citizens of this country. It will prevent them from raising their concerns towards the policies that impact them. It also snatches the rights of their children/dependents from expressing their views vis-à-vis government policies.

The policy looks at government employees as individuals and not as citizens. A cursory look at the policy makes it crystal clear that a government employee has no right to endorse a particular legitimate political ideology or ponder over various societal issues as a citizen. It makes them purely apolitical. While enacting the policy in 2017, Mehbooba would have never thought that it would have a boomerang effect.

An average Kashmiri, who is known for having an unerring instinct to spot political manoeuvres, is absolutely right in saying that BJP learnt the Kashmir version of politics from the PDP.

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Quality triumphs

Apropos of Harish Bijoor's article *Milk will spill: Amul vs Nandini in Namma Bengaluru* (Apr 11). I reside in Karur, a tier-3 town in TN, and Nandini milk is available here without people being aware of its entry. How Nandini is for Karnataka, Aavin is for TN. I am sure we would have witnessed a stir in TN had people known about Nandini's entry. It is only a matter of time before people stop listening to political nonsense and embrace products based on quality, irrespective of origin.
Vishnuvardhan Ravindrakumar, Karur

Entering Karnataka

It is strange to note that the opposition parties, which have been crying hoarse about democracy being under threat, are protesting against Amul's foray into Karnataka. Is it not a democratic right to do so? It's clear that the protests are just poll gimmicks.
R Sriramprasad, email

Free speech

Apropos of *Free speech: Not Supreme Court, but the people* (Apr 11). Brilliant. I stood for Perumal Murugan and the Right was offended. I am on the same page as C P Surendran. But when I spoke recently on the demographic profile and continuation of the constitutional order, I was bad-mouthed by the liberal Left and Dravidian ideologues.
G R Swaminathan, email

Political mindset

Free speech is not a matter of legality in a democracy. It is the state of the political mindset. Shankar Pillai narrated that he was trying to avoid Nehru at an event soon after a very critical set of Nehru cartoons appeared in *Shankar's Weekly*. But the great man said: "Don't spare me." This is the real definition of free speech in any "democracy". The members of our dispensation never read Eliot! Otherwise, instead of crying hoarse about the "injustices" Hindus suffered at the hands of Muslim rulers, they would have provided livelihood opportunities to destitutes.
Rajan Ugra, Bengaluru

V-P's comments

Since assuming office, Jagdeep Dhankar has been trying to capture attention through his media speeches. He has now made a reference to Rahul Gandhi's remarks about Indian democracy on foreign soil. Holding high office, the V-P should not air such political remarks.
Prasannakumar K, Mannar

Soothing reads

Apropos of *The little boy who went looking for love* (Apr 10). I'm a great fan of Renuka's writing. I look forward to Monday mornings to read her article and it also keeps me grounded through the craziness of the week.
Shankar, email

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TWEETS OF THE DAY

Randeep Singh Surjewala @rssurjewala
Senior BJP Leaders in Karnataka are disappointed with apathy and insults heaped upon them by central BJP leadership, including the PM and HM.

Sitaram Yechury @SitaramYechury
Modi govt suppressed release of the NSSOs Consumer Expenditure Survey used to estimate poverty levels, to promote false narratives of poverty decline.

Dr. S. Jaishankar @DrSJaishankar
Took stock of our historical ties...given greater intensity by our leadership. Possibilities in trade, energy, and defence being explored.

Kyiv hopes to get an invite to G20 meets

Visiting Ukraine foreign minister says President Zelenskyy is happy to speak at summit

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

UKRAINE'S Deputy Foreign Minister Emine Dzhaparova termed India as Vishwaguru and expressed the hope that with New Delhi chairing the G20 presidency Kyiv will be invited to attend some of the G20 events. "India plays a very important role globally and we hope that Ukraine is considered to take part in G20 events – on the sidelines. Besides, President Zelenskyy would be happy to speak at the G20 Summit in September," she said. Dzhaparova also expressed the hope that India's National Security Advisor Ajit Doval will visit Kyiv in the near future.

The purpose of her visit, the first from Ukraine since the outbreak of the conflict with Russia on February 24 last year, is to establish close ties with India.

"It is time to restart our relationship. India is Viswaguru and can facilitate in bringing about peace but we also need justice. We are preparing for a counter-offensive in Spring and following that will begin another round of negotiation process to end the war," she said, adding that Ukraine does not want to be an affiliate of another nation.

She endorsed PM Modi's statement made in Samarkhand "that this is not an era for war". Ukraine is seeking additional humanitarian aid from India, including medicines, and looking at collaborating in the Indian pharma sector. She said that India could consider partnering with them for development of drones as they have expertise in that sector.

Dzharapova said Ukraine had established strong ties with China and had become strategic partners. She said China too had suggested a peace formula though they did not fully agree with it."Basis of peace is to respect territorial integrity," she added.

Ukraine has established close ties with Pakistan. Pakistan is said to be in the process of shipping 230 containers of defence supplies to Ukraine. "Our association with Pakistan is not directed against India and we would like to deepen our relation with India," she said.

Ukraine's Deputy Foreign Minister Emine Dzhaparova met with MoS External Affairs Minister Meenakashi Lekhi, in New Delhi on Tuesday | PTI

Pak objects to G20 meet in Srinagar

Pakistan on Tuesday raised objection to India's decision to host G20 meetings in Kashmir. After assuming G20 Presidency, India has decided to hold G20 Tourism Working Group (TWG) meeting in Srinagar from 22-24 May. "Pakistan expresses its strong indignation at India's decision to hold the G20 TWG meeting in Srinagar.., " a statement issued by the Pakistan's foreign ministry said. India has not responded to the statement till the time of going to press.

India 'completely rejects' China jibe on Shah's Arunachal visit

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

A day after China raised to objections to Home Minister Amit Shah's visit to Arunachal Pradesh, India on Tuesday said the North-east state was an "integral and inalienable part of India". "Such objections do not stand to reason and will not change reality," said MEA spokesperson Arindam Bagchi. "We completely reject the comments made by the Chinese official spokesperson. Indian leaders routinely travel to the state of Arunachal Pradesh as they do to any other state of India," Bagchi said.

"Arunachal Pradesh was, is and will always remain an integral and inalienable part of India. Objecting to such visits does not stand to reason and will not change the above reality," he said. Shah visited Arunachal Pradesh and launched the 'Vibrant Villages Programme' from Kibithoo, a village along the India-China border and India's Eastern-most place. Addressing a gathering, the Home Minister in a clear message to China said no one can dare cast an evil eye on India's territorial integrity and encroach even an "inch of our land".

"Times when anyone could encroach on Indian land have passed. No one can question India's territorial integrity. Nobody can take even an inch of our land," he had said.

Last week, China "renamed" some places in Arunachal Pradesh that it claims as part of its territory. This is the third time that China has "renamed" places in Arunachal Pradesh, which it calls "Zangnan, the southern part of Tibet".

India had rejected this claim too and had issued a statement to that effect. "We have seen such reports. This is not the first time China has made such an attempt. We reject this outright. Arunachal Pradesh is, has been and will always be an integral and inalienable part of India. Attemots to assign invented names will not alter this reality," Bagchi had said on April 4.

The 11 places named include five mountain peak, two residential areas, two land areas and two rivers. The claimed geographical area has always been controlled and administered by India. This is the third time that China has highlighted such a list attempting to rename places calling them 'standardised geographical names.'

Renaming Arunachal: Beijing at it again

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Age limit delaying induction into top Congress panel

PREETHA NAIR @ New Delhi

WITH Rajasthan infighting posing fresh troubles for Congress in the election year, the much-talked about organisational reform of the grand old party is back in the spotlight. While the tussle between Sachin Pilot and Ashok Gehlot over unfulfilled power-sharing promises refuses to blow over, the announcement of a new Congress Working Committee (CWC) may be getting delayed because of the new provision of '50 per cent members Under 50', according to sources.

At the 85th plenary session of the party in Raipur, the party Constitution has been amended to provide a reservation of 50 per cent for SC/ST/OBCs/minorities and a horizontal reservation of 50 per cent for youth and women in the reserved and unreserved categories.

While the Karnataka elections are keeping the party busy, the provision of inducting '50 per cent of members under 50 years into the CWC may be complicating the process more, said Congress leader Sandeep Dikshit. Though he is not against the idea of inducting young people into the apex body, Dikshit said: "CWC is the highest decision-making body of the party and important names cannot be missed out. Also, Congress doesn't have many positions to offer its experienced leaders. So the Working Committee is a great process of giving people some dignity and a place to work on a platform."

The Working Committee gets dissolved after a new president is elected and it will be temporarily replaced by a steering committee, consisting mostly of the old CWC members. At the plenary session, the Steering Committee authorised AICC chief Mallikarjun Kharge to pick CWC members and decided against holding the election. The thinking in the party could be that it is better to be blamed for delaying the process than facing the consequence of not accommodating experienced leaders above 50 years, says a senior Congress leader. "Though the CWC has been expanded to accommodate 35 members, with 50% quota for youth and 50% in other categories, there's no scope of general category members above 50 years getting nominated," he said. The party will anyway have to keep those close to the Gandhis, he said.

"With these quotas, how can they pick new people other than the existing coterie? If they nominate the coterie back, it will become a laughing stock," he said. Another senior leader said the looming internal strife in poll-bound states like Rajasthan and Chhattisgarh could have been addressed adequately if the CWC was in place.

BODYLINE

ED grills Tejashwi in land-for-job scam

AMIT MUKHERJEE @ New Delhi

BIHAR Deputy Chief Minister Tejashwi Yadav, who is the son of RJD supremo Lalu Prasad Yadav, was questioned on Tuesday by the Enforcement Directorate (ED) for almost nine hours at the agency's Delhi headquarters in connection with investigations into the land-for-job scam.

The ED is probing laundering of wealth, allegedly amassed from job allotment in the Railways between 2004 and 2009, by the Yadav family and their associates. Lalu Prasad Yadav was the Railways minister in Congress-led UPA government at the time of alleged scam in which job seekers were confirmed only after they surrendered their land to Yadav family and their associates.

Tejashwi, who arrived at the ED office around 10.45 am, left the agency office after his questioning ended post 9 pm. "The same thing is asked, the answer remains the same, nothing is going to come out when nothing happened, the people of Bihar know what is happening," Tejashwi said while leaving the headquarters.

This was a follow-up action on the ED raids conducted on March 10. The agency had conducted pan-India raids and searches on at least 24 locations associated with Lalu Yadav's kin, including Tejashwi's, for suspected money laundering in the wake of the land-for-job scam.

The ED alleged that assets worth more than ₹600 crore were recovered by the ED following the raids. Tejashwi's quizzing followed the questioning of Lalu Prasad Yadav's daughter Misa Bharti, also a Rajya Sabha MP, who appeared before the ED for questioning in connection with the same case on March 25.

On the same day Tejashwi was also questioned by CBI at its headquarters in Delhi.

The searches by ED on March 10 also included Lalu Prasad Yadav's daughters -- Ragini Yadav, Hema Yadav, and Chanda Yadav

Shah says BJP will win 300 seats in LS polls, Cong will be wiped out

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR @ Guwahati

UNION home minister Amit Shah on Tuesday said BJP will win more than 300 seats in next year's Lok Sabha elections and form the government at the Centre for the third time in a row. "The 2024 Lok Sabha election is coming up. I want to tell the Congress that the BJP will win 12 of Assam's 14 seats and Narendra Modiji will become the Prime Minister again with the BJP winning more than 300 seats," he told a gathering, after laying the foundation stone of BJP office at Dibrugarh.

He lashed out at the Congress and Rahul Gandhi after drawing attention to BJP's success in the recent elections in Tripura, Nagaland and Meghalaya.

"The BJP is a part of the government in three states. There was a time when the North-east was considered the home of the Congress. The elections in the three states were held in the aftermath of Rahul baba travelling around the country, but the Congress suffered 'soopda saaf' (got wiped out). The Congress is not seen anywhere, but Rahul baba will not understand it," Shah said.

The home minister said Rahul goes abroad and "defames" the country. He warned that if the Congress leader keeps treading on this path, the Congress would get wiped out across the country.

"Modiji earned respect for India worldwide, protected the country, ended insurgency in the North-east, visited the region more than 50 times, gave momentum to development and brought about various programmes and the Congress says 'Modi teri kabar khudegi'... He attributed removal of Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act from 70 per cent areas of Assam, prevailing peaceful atmosphere in Bodoland and Karbi Anglong regions, surrender of eight Adivasi insurgent groups and Assam's ongoing efforts to resolve its border disputes with some states to Modi's good governance.

"After the BJP retained power in Assam, over 41,000 youth got jobs. Twelve medical colleges have been built, while 12 more are going to be built. Assam, which was once known for agitation and insurgency, is celebrating Bihu. Modiji is now going to give AIIMS to Assam on the occasion of Bihu," he said.

The Union home minister said said the Central government Centre spent ₹2.65 lakh crore for infrastructure from 2014. Shah said the funds for the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region had been also increased by 65%.

130 crore Indians are praying day and night for Modiji's long life. The more you go after Modiji which your (Rahul) mother has also done, the lotus will sprout out that much strongly

Amit Shah, Union Home Minister

Mental healthcare burning hole in pocket: ICMR

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

HIGH expenditure on mental disorders is shooting up families' healthcare budget, and pushing an estimated 20 per cent of Indian households, having a member with mental disorder, into poverty, according to the latest Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR) study.

The findings are based on a survey of 1.18 lakh households and 5.76 lakh individuals in the National Sample Survey (NSS) held between July and December 2018. The study covered 6,679 individuals who reported mental illness during the survey.

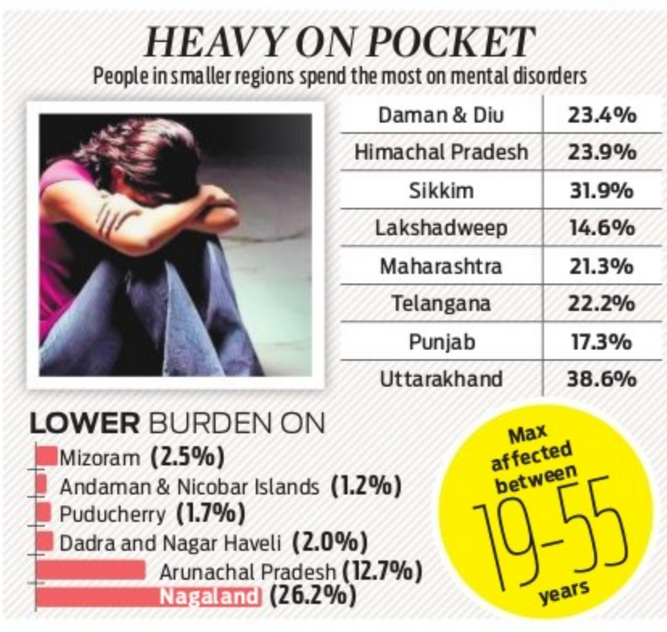
A first of its kind study in India found that of the total household budget on healthcare, over 18.1 per cent was on mental care. The mental health issues have been categorised as 'having abnormal thoughts, emotions, behaviour, and relationships apart from bipolar mood disorders, depression, dementia and intellectual impairments'. People in smaller regions like Daman and Diu (23.4 per cent), Himachal Pradesh (23.9 per cent) and Sikkim (31.9 per cent) spend the most on mental disorders compared to other parts of the country.

Among the bigger states, Maharashtra (21.3 per cent) and Telangana (22.2 per cent) top the list. According to the study, a large number of households - 59.5 per cent - had "catastrophic" health expenditures.

The study states that India faces a severe mental health crisis, with illnesses constituting one-sixth of all health-related disorders including depression, anxiety, bipolar disorders, and schizophrenia.

"Overall, 20.7 per cent of the households were pushed into poverty. There is a critical need to accelerate on ground measures for early diagnosis and management of mental health issues in order to reduce healthcare expenses, in the country," said Dr Denny John, Adjunct Faculty, Amrita Institute of Medical Sciences and Research Centre, Kochi, a co-author of the study, told this paper.

The study, said there is a critical need to provide financial risk protection to reduce the impact of healthcare expenditure on mental illnesses.



2-day nationwide Covid mock drill in 33K health facilities in 724 dists

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

INDIA has successfully conducted a two-day nationwide mock drill in 33,685 health facilities, including 28,050 public and 5,635 private health facilities in 724 districts to take stock of Covid-19 preparedness, according to officials on Tuesday.

According to the union health ministry statement, the mock drill was conducted in 35 states and union territories. Even though Covid-19 cases in the past 24 hours saw a marginal dip with 5,676 new positive cases, the country reported 21 deaths.

Three deaths each were reported from Delhi, Punjab and Rajasthan. It was followed by Karnataka, where two deaths were reported. Gujarat, Haryana, Maharashtra, and Tamil Nadu reported one death each. Kerala reported six reconciled deaths. Mock drills, announced as Covid-19 cases saw a spike in India, were carried out in Delhi, West Bengal and other states on Tuesday. Many states conducted mock drills on Monday. Union Health Minister Mansukh Mandaviya had visited RML hospital on Monday to review the mock drill.

According to officials, the mock drills were conducted on Monday and Tuesday in all public and private health facilities, including government medical colleges, hospitals, district and civil hospitals, community health centres as well as health and wellness centres and primary health centres and private health facilities, including medical colleges, hospitals and other health centres. The ministry said that critical medical infrastructure and resources, including oxygen beds, isolation beds, ventilators, PSA plants, oxygen concentrators, oxygen cylinders, as well as medicines and PPE kits, were assessed, and medical staff were oriented on the management of Covid-19 during the drills.

In preparation for the nationwide mock drill, online training with state and district surveillance units was conducted on April 4, 5 and 6.

ILLEGAL ARMS FACTORY

An illegal arms factory was unearthed in Nagla Malik village in the Saifai area of Uttar Pradesh on Tuesday, police said. Three have been arrested in the matter.

3 KILLED IN ROAD ACCIDENT IN UP'S SHAHJAHANPUR

INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	34	22	Mumbai	34	25
Bhopal	29	18	Panaji	29	23
Jaipur	29	18	Patna	31	20
Amritsar	25	14	Lucknow	28	19
Chennai	32	25	Port Blair	32	25
Kolkata	30	22	Imphal	25	13
Srinagar	16	08	Chandigarh	24	18

No Cong symbol at Pilot's fast site

Holds dharna in protest against Gehlot 'inaction' in alleged cases of corruption by Raje govt

RAJESH ASNANI @ Jaipur

CONGRESS leader Sachin Pilot on Tuesday sat on a fast in the state capital Jaipur, piling pressure on his own party by targeting the Ashok Gehlot government in Rajasthan for "inaction" in alleged cases of corruption when the BJP ran the state.

But on Tuesday morning, as his bête noire former deputy began the dharna, the CM released a video expounding his own vision for Rajasthan as the 'top state' in 2030, and implying that he hoped to be the party's CM candidate again.

Gehlot did not make any direct remark on Pilot's move after the younger leader announced the fast on Sunday, opening a new front against the veteran politician.

Defying the Congress central leadership's warning that the move "which comes just months before the assembly polls is "anti-party," he argued that Rahul Gandhi too has been leading a movement against graft. However, there was little of the Congress at the fast site – there were no Congress banners and leaders' photos.

As he left, Pilot told reporters that Gandhi, the Congress and other opposition parties have united over corruption and financial irregularities, and claimed that his fast would speed up this "movement."

Sachin Pilot during a hunger strike at Shaheed Smarak in Jaipur on Tuesday | PTI

The former deputy chief minister said he wrote two letters on this issue to Gehlot last year but received no reply.

"We had assured people that effective action will be taken against corruption by the former BJP government. I wanted the Congress government to take action but it has not happened in over four years," Pilot said.

"This struggle against corruption will continue," he said. Without getting into details, the Congress leader referred to the liquor and sand 'mafias' that allegedly operated during the BJP term. On Tuesday, the BJP described the allegations as "fabricated."

Gehlot and Pilot have been in a power tussle in the state since the Congress formed the government in December 2018. Pilot offered flowers at the portraits of Mahatma Gandhi and social reformer Jyotirao Phule before starting his silent protest around 11 am.

He sat alone on the dais for five hours, against the backdrop of a large banner that described the event as a fast against "corruption" during the term of BJP's Vasundhara Raje.

Pilot persists with fight

July 2020: Then Dy CM Sachin Pilot rebelled along with **18** other loyalist MLAs

Result: Pilot sacked as state party chief and Deputy CM. CM Gehlot hid his loyalist MLAs to block horse-trading. **However,** Pilot camp reconciled

Sept 25, 2022: Following a decision to make Gehlot the Congress president, MLAs loyal to him boycotted legislature party meeting and handed their resignations to Speaker. They thought Pilot could be the news chief minister

Result: Gehlot lost his bid to become party chief

Fresh row: Just before Rahul Gandhi's visit to the state, Gehlot called Pilot a traitor

Result: Party's organisation gen secy KC Venugopal mediated. Gehlot tried to set a political narrative within Congress. Pilot hoped the leadership would decide on the three pro-Gehlot leaders responsible for the Sept 25 rebellion. With no decision in sight, Pilot announces a fast

Govt eases wheat quality norms for Punjab, Haryana

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

THE Centre has allowed the purchase of wheat from Punjab and Haryana by relaxing the prescribed quality norms for procurement up to 18% against the existing limit of 6%. However, it has imposed a value cut on the purchase of the grain.

In a letter to the Secretary, Punjab Food and Civil Supplies Department, the Union Ministry of Food and Public Distribution said the limit of shriveled and broken grain is being relaxed up to 18% under uniform specifications with a one-fourth value cut for every additional relaxation of 2% or part thereof.

"The state government has to deduct imposed value cut from the Minimum Support Price (MSP) of wheat ₹2,125 per quintal while making payments to the farmers in Punjab. The value cut is not applicable on wheat having shriveled and broken grains up to 6%," the letter stated.

But the Centre has imposed a value cut ranging from ₹5.31 to ₹31.87 per quintal. A value cut of ₹5.31 per quintal has been imposed for shriveled and broken grains of up to 6 to 8% and for 8 to 10% for a value cut of Rs 10.62. A similar letter has been written to the additional chief secretary of the department of food supplies and consumer affairs, Haryana.

The problem in the wheat grain is the lustre loss because of the untimely rains in March and the high-velocity winds that swept through these states in March-end. Wherever fields are still inundated, the grains have turned black and where the lodging was reported, the grains have turned white.

Grains of truth

- Unseasonal rains: March-end weather destroyed the lustre in the wheat
- Centre steps in: By relaxing the prescribed quality norms for procurement
- However, the Centre imposes a value cut on purchase of the grain

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Civic body rolls back parking fee hike

The TMC-dominated Kolkata Municipal Corporation (KMC) raised parking fees in the state capital on April 1. But a week later, the ruling party rolled back that decision. The sequence of events suggest a decision taken by a supposedly autonomous local body was reversed by a political party. TMC spokesperson Kunal Ghosh told that the KMC's mayor Firhad Hakim had been told that the civic body must roll back the parking fee hike. Ghosh said the decision did not have the party's or chief minister Mamata Banerjee's nod. From April 1, the new parking rates for four wheelers were `20 an hour for the first two hours, `40 an hour from the third to fifth hour, and `100 for the rest.

UGC nominee in panel to select V-Cs of varsities

The higher education department is going to bring an ordinance to induct a UGC nominee into the search committee that will select full-term vice-chancellors for state-aided universities, sources in the education department said. Since the Assembly is not in session, the department has decided to bring an ordinance to bring about changes in the university act that will pave the way for the induction of the UGC nominee into the search committees. A senior official in the education department said if the Assembly had been in session, such changes would be approved on the floor of the House.

Vidyasagar Setu gets revamped after 30 years

For the first time since the inauguration of the structure across the Hooghly in 1992, the carriageway of Vidyasagar Setu is being overhauled. A portion of the carriageway is being repaired and kept out of bounds for vehicles. The road surface of both the flanks and in the middle is being scrapped off, said officials. "Once the surface on a particular stretch of the carriageway is scrapped off, a layer of mastic asphalt will be laid to ensure that the surface is free of undulation so commuters have a smooth ride," said an official of the Hooghly River Bridge Commissioners (HRBC), an agency under the state government, that maintains the bridge. HRBC officials said the work started last week and continue for this month.

Have differences, but won't oppose JPC into Adani issue, says Pawar

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @Mumbai

A few days after the NCP distanced itself from the key issues concerning the united Opposition, Shiv Sena leader Uddhav Thackeray met NCP chief Sharad Pawar at his residence in Mumbai to discuss and iron out their differences.

Pawar later said he would not oppose the demand for a Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC) probe into Adani-Hindenburg report even though he has his differences.

The meeting between two top leaders of Maharashtra lasted more than one hour. According to sources, Maha Vikas Aghadi was united and was also getting a good response. The NCP showed its disagreement over major issues raised by the Opposition. It is a cause of concern for the Uddhav Thackeray-led Shiv Sena that is also part of the MVA. Shiv Sena leader Sanjay Raut had earlier met Pawar and planned for a meeting between the two leaders to clear doubts against Opposition.

The major issue was that Uddhav and the Congress demanded a JPC probe into the Adani-Hindenburg research report, while Pawar is not in favour of the JPC and is targeting Adani as well. However, Pawar later clarified that he will not oppose the demand for JPC probe on Adani-Hindenburg report even though he has his differences. He said that if his views on some issues differ from that of the Opposition, it does not mean he is helping the BJP.

Another issue that distanced two parties from each other was—Raut raising doubts over PM Narendra Modi's qualifications and degree. NCP said the PM's degree cannot be a strong-enough issue when there were more important problems at hand. Pawar has a divided stand over VD Savarkar. He likes Savarkar's work that is progressive, but opposes the anti-minority and extremist Hindutva writing.

Meanwhile, Thackeray's party accept Savarkar completely and even demanded the Bharat Ratna for him. Pawar said that Thackeray should have consulted the alliance partners before resigning as the CM.

Thackeray meets Pawar in Mumbai

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ALL-WEATHER NH

Srinagar-Jammu travel time to be reduced to 5 hrs, says Gadkari

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

UNION Minister for Road Transport and Highways Nitin Gadkari on Tuesday said that after the completion of work on Srinagar-Jammu national highway, the all-weather-road will reduce its travel time from present 9-10 hours to 4-5 hours.

Talking to reporters in Jammu after inspecting a 924-metre-long Banihal-Qazigund tunnel, Gadkari said the design of the 4-lane Srinagar-Jammu highway has been done on the basis of geo-technical and geological investigation to overcome the possible landslides in this area.

"The landslides are very problematic and it hampers the work," he said, adding crash barriers and other road safety measures have been put in place to make travel between Jammu and Srinagar safe and smooth. He said work on the 40-kms stretch from Ramban to Banihal is difficult and challenging.

"The climate here is very challenging. We had to change the design and it led to an increase in cost of the project," he said.

The Union minister said five tunnels will come up on the stretch between Ramban and Banihal. It'll be completed by January 2024.

Bombay HC seeks govt reply on plea challenging amendment to IT rules

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @Mumbai

THE Bombay High Court on Tuesday asked the Ministry of Electronics and IT to submit its affidavit over stand-up comedian Kunal Kamra's petition contesting an amendment to the Information Technology Rules that give the Centre the authority to identify false information on social media that is critical of the government.

Kamra moved the Bombay High Court on Tuesday challenging the recent amendments to the Information Technology (Intermediary Guidelines and Digital Media Ethics Code) Rules, 2021 (IT Rules 2021). The amendment in Rule 3 provides that the Ministry of Electronics and IT can notify a fact-checking body which is empowered to identify and tag what it considers false or fake online news with respect to any activity of the Central government.

The telecom service providers and social media intermediaries will then have to take action against such content failing which they would lose the safe harbour protection under Section 79 of the IT Act.

A division bench of Justices GS Patel and Neela Ghokhale asked the Centre to respond on whether there was any factual background or reasoning that necessitated this amendment. "Was there any factual background or reasoning that necessitated the amendment? The petitioner (Kamra) anticipates some kind of impact due to this amendment," the bench said.

The bench posted the hearing on April 21. Kamra identified himself as a political satirist who shares his work on social media. He said the Rules might cause his content to be arbitrarily blocked or his social media accounts to be temporarily or permanently shut down, which would be detrimental to his job.

Kamra has asked the court to declare modified rules unlawful and order government to refrain from enforcing the laws against anyone. "They strike at the very rule of law and our democratic polity, as they constitute a direct assault by the respondent on freedom of thought, speech and expression, the plea said

Kamra's challenge

The plea: Filed by Kunal Kamra contests amendment to IT rule that empowers govt to identify false info on social media critical of govt

What HC says: HC seeks Centre's response, posts matter for April 21

Court's query: Was there any factual background that necessitated the amendment?

HIGH COURT

Amritpal aide helped him rear Khalistan ideology: Govt

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

THE Punjab Government today informed the Punjab and Haryana High Court that pro-khalistani Amritpal Singh's close aide Daljit Singh Kalsi, who has been detained under the National Security Act (NSA), was helping the radical preacher to profess radical ideology and wage war against the state for separate Khalistan.

The high court was hearing petitions, including of Kalsi's wife, who had alleged her husband has been illegally confined by Punjab Police and sent to Dibrugarh central jail in Assam without a valid reason and proper procedure.

Relatives of other detainees Gurmit Singh, Kulwant Singh, Varinder Singh Fauji, Bhagwant Singh (alias Pradhanmantri Bajeke) and Basant Singh have filed petitions in the court to quash the detention orders.

The government also told the Punjab and Haryana High Court that Sarabjit alias Daljit Singh Kalsi was detained under the National Security Act and the allegation he has been kept illegally is wrong.

He was arrested after following the due process of law. The next hearing date is fixed for April 24.

Band, baja & suspension: Cop shunted after spectacle send-off in Chhattisgarh

EJAZ KAISER @ Raipur

TOWN inspector Surendra Swarnkar, who was accorded a warm farewell with band-baja and dance by policemen of Dongargarh police station in Rajnandgaon, might have never expected to face swift disciplinary action as he was suspended on grounds of 'inappropriate conduct'. He has been transferred from Rajnandgaon to Bilaspur district, some 110 km east of Raipur.

Swarnkar, sporting black sunglasses, was seen moving on SUV car standing up like 'Singham' through the sunroof—an action of peeping through the sunroof on a moving car is often discouraged by the traffic police as this might cause serious injuries. The police officer waved at the gathered people, with his colleagues in uniform dancing to the tune of Bhangra as they escorted the vehicle right from the police station.

Surendra Swarnkar was suspended on grounds of 'inappropriate conduct' | PTI

The video of his farewell has gone viral on social media. The vehicle in which he was moving is believed to be his personal car, sources said.

His joy didn't last for long when Swarnkar reached Bilaspur to report to his duty on Tuesday. His unique way of enjoying his farewell didn't go down well with the police department. He was served with the suspesion order issued by the Bilaspur range inspector general of police Badri Narayan Meena the same day.

Prior to his posting at Dongargarh, where he remained only for around eleven months, Swarnkar was in Bilaspur where some of his actions were deemed as controversial. The sources in the police department shared that he has been transferred with a single order issued by the state home department, an indicative of the influence he holds.

Govt offers hope of shelter to tribal painter in MP

ANURAAG SINGH @ Bhopal

THE long wait for a pucca house for octogenarian labourer-turned-Padma Shri awardee painter Jodhaiya Bai Baiga is finally over.

The promise to build a pucca house for the 84-year-old painter in Lorha village of Madhya Pradesh's Umaria district, which was reportedly made by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on March 2022, has finally been fullfilled by state's governor Mangubhai C Patel.

The Raj Bhawan has approved from the Discretionary Fund ₹1.5 lakh for renovating the elderly woman's asbestos roofed kutcha house and another ₹5 lakh to promote tribal art clusters in the same district.

The twin sums have reportedly been released by the Raj Bhawan on the detailed proposal of the Umaria district administration.

Jodhaiya Bai, who is mother of three children and has more than 10 grandchildren, was handed over ₹1.5 lakh cheque by the Umaria district collector KD Tripathi on April 8, that was 17 days after she received the Padma Shri from President Droupadi Murmu at the Rashtrapati Bhawan on March 22.

According to Tripathi, the sum of ₹5 lakh will be used to develop the tribal art cluster, preferably in Baiga's native village Lorha, to enable her and other fellow tribal artists to promote and preserve Baiga painting style.

The sum of ₹ 1.5 lakh awarded for the renovation is more than what is provided for building a fresh house under the PM Awas Yojana (Gramin). zOn January 26, 2023, while thanking the government for selecting her for one of the highest civilian awards, she had also expressed disappointment for not having a pucca house.

While recounting her meeting with PM Modi on the eve of receiving the Nari Shakti Puraskar in March 2022, Jodhaiya Bai, had told journalists, "I hugged Modiji and shared my pain about not having a pucca house, after which he promised that I will get a pucca house, but till date I live in a kutcha house and a pucca house remains a distant dream for me. With folded hands I request, both, PM Modi and MP CM Shivraj Singh Chouhan to render me a pucca house."

Jodhaiya Bai Baiga is a labourer-turned-Padma Shri awardee painter | PTI

Importantly, Jodhaiya Bai, who spent almost 50 years working as labourer at construction sites, cutting woods and even selling country-made liquor, just to raise her three children, made international debut as a painter in 2019.She learnt painting from around 20 years younger Ashish Swami (an established artist from Santiniketan-West Bengal) when she was around 70.

She made her international painting debut in 2019, when her Baiga style paintings were showcased at group exhibitions in Paris and Milan. Since then, her paintings have been showcased at painting exhibitions across India.

Russia boast of ties with UAE in US document leak

WASHINGTON

US spies caught Russian intelligence officers boasting that they had convinced the oil-rich United Arab Emirates "to work together against US and UK intelligence agencies," according to a purported American document posted online as part of a major US intelligence breach.

US officials declined to comment on the document, which bore known top-secret markings and was viewed by *AP*. The Emirati government on Monday dismissed any accusation that the UAE had deepened ties with Russian intelligence as "categorically false."

But the US has had growing concerns that the UAE was allowing Russia and Russians to thwart sanctions imposed over the invasion of Ukraine.

The document viewed by the *AP* includes an item citing research from March 9 with the title: "Russia/UAE: Intelligence Relationship Deepening."

United States officials declined to confirm the document's authenticity, which the *AP* could not independently do. However, it resembled other documents released as part of the recent leak.

The Justice Department has opened an investigation into the possible release of Pentagon documents that were posted on several social media sites. They appear to detail US and NATO aid to Ukraine and US intelligence assessments regarding US allies that could strain ties with those nations.

Some of the documents may have been altered or used as part of a misinformation campaign, US officials said. National Security Council spokesman John Kirby on Monday urged caution, "since we know at least in some cases that information was doctored."

Referring to the main successor agency of the Soviet-era KGB, the document seen by the *AP* says, "In mid-January, FSB officials claimed UAE security service officials and Russia had agreed to work together against US and UK Intelligence agencies, according to newly acquired signals intelligence." Signals intelligence refers to intercepted communications, whether telephone calls or electronic messages.

"The UAE probably views engagement with Russian intelligence as an opportunity to strengthen growing ties between Abu Dhabi and Moscow and diversify intelligence partnerships amid concerns of US disengagement from the region," the assessment concluded.

It's not clear if there was any such agreement as described in the UAE-Russia document, or whether the alleged FSB claims were intentionally or unintentionally misleading. But American officials are speaking out increasingly about a surge in dealings between the UAE and Russia. *AP*

Major part of intel papers fake: S Korea

SEOUL

SOUTH Korea on Tuesday said a "significant portion" of leaked US intelligence documents indicating concerns in Seoul about arms supplies to Ukraine were fake.

Some files reportedly show concern among top South Korean national security officials that arms and ammunition manufactured by their country might end up being used in Ukraine—a violation of Seoul's policy of not selling weapons to nations at war.

In a call on Tuesday, the South Korean defence minister and the US secretary of defence agreed that "a significant number of the documents in question were fabricated," the presidential office in Seoul said in a statement.

Dozens of photographs of the documents have been circulating on social media platforms and messaging services.

The Pentagon has said it is working to determine if the documents are genuine, and that at least one appeared to have been manipulated.

However, US officials reportedly believe many of the documents are real. *AFP*

A photo provided by the Kyunhla Activists Group shows the aftermath of an airstrike in Pazigyi village in Sagaing Region's Kanbalu Township in Myanmar on Tuesday | AP

Airstrikes by junta on gathering kills 100, including kids

BANGKOK

AIRSTRIKES by Myanmar's military on Tuesday killed as many as 100 people, including many children, who were attending a ceremony held by opponents of army rule, said a witness, a member of a local pro-democracy group and independent media.

A witness told *AP* that a fighter jet dropped bombs directly into a crowd of people who were gathering at 8 am for the opening of a local office of the country's opposition movement outside Pazigyi village in Sagaing region's Kanbalu township.

About half an hour later, a helicopter appeared and fired at the site, said the witness, who asked not to be identified.

Initial reports put the death toll at around 50, but later, tallies reported by independent media raised it to about 100.

"The jet dropped bombs directly on the crowd, and I jumped into a nearby ditch and hid. A few moments later, when I stood up and looked around, I saw people cut to pieces and dead in the smoke. The office building was destroyed by fire. About 30 people were injured. While the wounded were being transported, a helicopter arrived and shot more people. We are now cremating the bodies quickly," the witness said *AP*

PUBLIC NOTICE

This notice is given to the general public that, my client intends to purchase the property mentioned in the schedule hereunder, from its owners **Sri. T.S. Manjunatha** S/o Late Seenappa.T.N and his wife Smt.Kamala and their sons namely, Sri. Darshan .T.M and Sri. Shreyas Kumar Shenoy .T.M, Residing at 4th Cross, Vinoba Nagara, Tumkur-572101. The owners represents that, the schedule property is their absolute property and that apart from them there is no any other person/s having any right or claim over the schedule property and they have not entered into any agreement / Memorandum of understanding / G.P.A etc., or have not mortgaged, created any lien or encumbered the schedule property or any part thereof in any manner and there is no any family / ancestral litigation or Court attachment. Hence if any person/s having any interest, right or any claim or objection may intimate the same in writing with documentary evidence lodge their objection or claim within **Seven (7) days** from the date of this notice with the undersigned, failing which my client shall proceed with the above mentioned sale transaction as not claimed.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of the Residential Site bearing Khatha No.571, formed in Sy No.155/2, PID No.101764, Measuring East to West towards Northern Side 45.85 Meter and Southern Side 37.91 Meter and North to South towards Eastern Side 27.46 Meter and Western Side 16.41 Meter i.e., 45.85+37.91/2'X 27.46+16.41/2' Meter, Situated at Ward No.6, West Extension (G.C.R. Colony), Agrahara, Tumkur, and bounded on: **East by:** Road, **West By:** Land bearing Sy No.154, **North by:** Land bearing Sy No.155/1, **South by:** Road.

MOHAMED AFROZE AHAMED
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Advocates & Legal Advisers, Opp. State Bank of India, M.G. Road, Tumkur-572101.
Cell No. 94480 83535 / 98867 93535.

FORM No. 3
[See Regulation-15(1)(a)/16(3)]

IN THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL - II, BENGALURU.
B.S.N.L BUILDING, 4TH FLOOR, TELEPHONE HOUSE, RAHABAHAVAN ROAD, BANGALORE-560001
O. A. NO. 841/2020.

Summons Under Sub-section(4) of section 19 of the Act, read with sub-rule(2A) of rule 5 of the Debts Recovery Tribunal(Procedure) Rules, 1993.

PUNJAB NATIONAL BANNK
VS
M/S MAYURI'S & OTHERS

To,
1-M/S MAYURI'S,
Prop : Dhanraj Tawar M,
No. 31, 3rd Floor, RPG Complex Hospital, Opp Mamju Lodge, Bangalore, Karnataka- 560053
2-Dhanraj Tawar M, S/o Manaram Tawar
3-Mrs. Geetha Devi Dhanraj Tawar W/o Dhanraj Tawar M
4-Ms Sanjana D Tawar, D/o Dhanraj Tawar M
Defendant No. 2-4 of Shantikunj, 3rd Floor, 1st Cross, 1st Stage, Sarhagiri Layout, Vasanthpura, Bangalore-560078
5-Shankarlal M Tawar,
#128, Shantikunj, 2nd Floor, 1st Cross, 1st Stage, Sarhagiri Layout, Vasanthpura, Bangalore-560078
6-Prakash Chand M Tawar,
#128, Shantikunj, 1st Floor, 1st Cross, 1st Stage, Sarhagiri Layout, Vasanthpura, Bangalore-560078
7-Jayanthi Lal M Tawar,
#128, Shantikunj, 2nd Floor, 1st Cross, 1st Stage, Sapthgiri Layout, Vasanthpura, Bangalore.....
DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS

WHEREAS, Original Application /841 /2020 was listed before Hon'ble Officer/Registrar in Jan 2023.

Whereas the Applicant has instituted an application under section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 against you for recovery of a sum of **Rs. 28,27,683.83(Rupees Twenty Eight Lakhs Twenty Seven Thousand Six Hundred Eighty Three & Eighty Three Paisa Only)** together with current and future interest and other reliefs.

You are hereby required to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication of this summons or on the **29.05.2023, at 10.30 A.M.** in person or by a Pleader / Advocate duly instructed as to why the reliefs prayed for should not be granted. Take notice that in case of default the Application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and the seal of this tribunal on this date : **27th day of January 2023.**

Sd/-
Signature of the Officer
Authorised to issue summons.

Government of India
Ministry of Communications,DOT,Wireless Monitoring Station
2nd floor,Chennamanakare Telephone Exchange
Vidyapetta main Road,Bangalore-560085
Telephone : 8300301640 Mail-saravanan.k@gov.in

TENDER NOTICE

No. Q-11011/02/2023-BGL/Dated 11.04.2023

It is proposed to dispose off the unserviceable/obsolete stores belonging to WMS, Bangalore purely as **SCRAP/ E-WASTE.** The Condemned items can be inspected on any working day between 1000 hrs to 1700 hrs at this office.

The Condemned items will be disposed off through sealed tender on **20.04.2023 at 1515hrs,** those who would like to participate in the auction should submit the Sealed tender to this office on or before **1500 hrs of 20.04.2023.** An amount of Rs.1500.00 towards Earnest Money has to be paid in the form of DD(Refundable) favouring "AO(CASH), OFFICE OF CCA KARNATAKA,BANGALORE" payable at Bangalore. Only tender Application will be submitted in proper letter pad with GST number will be considered.

Deputy Director,
WMS, BANGALORE

SMART CITY THIRUVANANTHAPURAM LIMITED
CIN U75302KL2017SGC05027

E-TENDER NOTICE

E-Tenders are invited for the following projects of Smart City Thiruvananthapuram Limited Project Area 1) Request for proposal RFP for Selection of Contractor for Development of Smart Roads and Underground Ducting Including Utility Shifting of Water Supply and Power lines in ABD area Under Smart (Corporation Roads) in Thiruvananthapuram

Sl. No.	Name of Project	E Tender ID	PAC Amount (Exclusive of GST)	Bid Submission Last Date
Selection of Contractor for Development of Smart Roads and Underground Ducting including Utility Shifting of Water Supply and Power lines in ABD area Under Smart (Corporation Roads) in Thiruvananthapuram				
1	Road ID 42 (KK Road)	2023_SCTLT_550795_2	Rs. 2,59,55,590	17/04/2023
2	Road ID 43 (Marakkada Road)	2023_SCTLT_550815_2	Rs. 2,29,11,634	17/04/2023
3	Road ID 182 (Kuriyathi Road)	2023_SCTLT_552524_3	Rs. 1,33,51,123	17/04/2023
4	Road ID 178 (Vivekananda Nagar Lane)	2023_SCTLT_551354_2	Rs. 1,47,13,233	17/04/2023
5	Road ID 42 (KK Road) - Electrical Works	2023_SCTLT_558318_1	Rs. 1,73,20,346	17/04/2023

Date and Time of Opening Price Bid: To Be Intimated Separately to Technically Qualified Bidders by e-mail. All the RFP documents and details are available on the e-Procurement Website. Bids are only accepted online on the Website https://etenders.kerala.gov.in

(Sd/-), CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, SMART CITY THIRUVANANTHAPURAM Ltd.

केनरा बैंक Canara Bank

SME Whitefield Branch,
Vinayaka Nagar, Immadihalli, Whitefield, Pincode - 560 066
Bengalur Ph : 9449860064, 8386000583
E-mail : cb10463@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) & 9 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s)/ guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/ charged to the Secured Creditor, the possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **SME Whitefield Branch** of the Canara Bank , will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **24.05.2023 at 10.30 A.M. to 11.30 A.M.** for recovery of **Rs.5,391,389.31** (Rupees Fifty Three Lakhs, Ninety One Thousand Three Hundred Eighty Nine and Thirty One Paise only) as on 10.04.2023 with Future Interest and costs due to **SME Whitefield Branch** of Canara Bank from **1. M/s. Isha Tours and Travels,** No. 6, Chandrappa Layout, Near M. V. J College, Channasandra, Bangalore - 560 067. Represented by a. Mr. Venkatesh M (Partner), b. Mr. Murali L. (Partner), **2. Mr. Venkatesh M (Partner),** No. 34/1, 5th Cross, 2nd Main, Near Baldwin School, Doddabanasawadi, Bengaluru - 560 043, **3. Mr. Murali L (Partner),** No. 12, Gorvanahalli Hulibele, Kolar- 563 114. **4. Mrs. K. Suma (Guarantor)** W/o. Sri Venkatesh M., No. 34/1, 5th Cross, 2nd Main, Near Baldwin School, Doddabanasawadi, Bangalore - 560 043. The reserve price will be **Rs.27,58,000/-** (Rupees Twenty Seven Lakhs, Fifty Eight Thousand only). EMD will be Rs.2,75,800/- (Rupees Two Lakhs Seventy Five Thousand Eight Hundred Only) The Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before 20.05.2023 at 4 PM

Details and full description of the immovable property

All that piece and parcel of property site bearing No. 216, Sl. No. 548, Janjur No. 660, situated at Naduvathi Village, Kasaba Hobli, Hoskote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring East to West 33 feet and North to South 60 feet, Total measuring 1,980 sq. ft. Property in the Name of Mrs. Suma K., and bounded by : East by : Road & Sy. No. 84/2, West by : Jayaram & Muniraju's, Property, North by : Jayaram's Property, South by : 20 feet Mud Road.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or may contact **Canara Bank, SME Whitefield Branch, Vinayaka Nagar, Immadihalli, Whitefield, Pincode - 560 066, Bengaluru Ph. No. 9449860064, 8386000583, E-mail ID :cb10463 @canarabank.com** during office hours on any working day.

Place: Bengaluru — Sd/-Authorised Officer
Date: 10.04.2023 — Canara Bank

WESTERN RAILWAY

CORRIGENDUM TO e-AUCTION SALE PROGRAMME

MATERIAL MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT

e-Auction Sale Notification No. SIII/ Auction Programme-1/APRIL-2023 dt.23/03/2023. First Round of E-Auction Sale Program Scheduled to be held in the month of **APRIL-2023 at Pratapnagar Division** on **12.04.2023** has been rescheduled on **19.04.2023** and 2nd Round of auction program schedule to be held on **20.04.2023** has been rescheduled on **28.04.2023**. All other terms and conditions will remain unchanged. Please visit Western Railway website of Material Management Department i.e. **www.wr.indianrailways.gov.in** as well as on **www.ireps.gov.in** e-auction portal for further information.

(SIII/Auction Programme-4/April-2023 Dt. 10/04/2023). 0033

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PUBLIC NOTICE

I, the undersigned advocate on behalf of my client **Smt. Radhamma and others** filed the above Petition for the death certificate of **LATE. NALLA SWAMY S/O LATE. PALANI SWAMY was died on 30/01/2006** at No.87, Vidyanagar Cross, Kadiganahalli Chakaie, Bettahalasuru Post, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk, and Bangalore -562157. If any parties who have objections may dispute regarding the same can appear before the 2nd Additional Civil Judge and JMFC at Devanahalli and date of hearing **on 25/4/2023 .at 11.00 A.M.** in **C.Mis.No 60/2023.**

By Order of the Court, Sd/- Chief Ministerial Officer Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli
CHANDRAKALA .B, Advocate & Notary, Bangalore

CORRIGENDUM

In respect of Court Notice Published in **'Indian Express'** Newspaper, Dt. 10.04.2023
BETWEEN : RABIYA FAHEEM SYED ...PLAINTIFF AND: 1. K. CHANDRAPPA, 2. R. VENKATESH, 3. R. MANJUNATH, 4. RATHNAMMA ...DEFENDANTS

The Advertisement Case number to be read as **OS No. 3683 / 2022** and it is wrongly mentioned as **OS No. 3883 / 2022**
The mistake is regretted.
Advocate for Plaintiff : **MOHAMMED AYUB ALI,** Advocate, **BHANDARI ASSOCIATES** No. 144, 6th Cross, K.E.B. Layout, Sanjayangar, Bangalore-560094.

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL - II AT BANGALORE

BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore – 560 001.
O.A. No.579 / 2021

Between:Bank of India, Kothanur Branch, No.1 & 2, Indradhanush Layout, Gubbi Cross, Hennur Bagalur Road, Kothanur, Bangalore - 560 077 . **...Applicant**
And:
Sri. Mahakavi Kalidas and others ...Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES 1993, BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

To, Defendants:
1.Sri. Mahakavi Kalidas, Aged about 41 years, S/o. Sri. Mohan
2. Smt. Epsi Aged about 40 years, D/o. Sri Dass. Both are R/at: No. 6/2, New No. 32, 1st Floor, Ganesh Building, CMH Road, Ulsoor, Bangalore - 560 008.
3. M/s. Samrudhi Reality Ltd., [A company incorporated under the Provisions Act,1956] Having its Regd., office at: No1, 2nd Floor, Tate Lane, Richmond Road Cross, Bangalore - 560 025. Rep., by its Authorized Signatory Mr. Yashodara. **... Defendants**

Under Section 19 of The Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 against the Defendants for Recovery of a sum of **Rs.59,96,419.04 P.s** (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakhs Ninety Six Thousand four Hundred and Nineteen and Zero Four Paisa Only) together with current and future interest and other relief/s.

The above mentioned defendants are required to appear before this Tribunal in person or through an Advocate, in support of their defense to show cause within 30 days or on before, **28-07-2023 at 10:30 A.M.** as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand the seal of this Tribunal this the **14th day of March 2023.**

By order of the Tribunal
Sd/- Registrar ,
Debts Recovery Tribunal - II.

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL - II AT BANGALORE

BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore – 560 001.
O.A. No.584/2021

Between:Bank of India, Cantonment Branch, No.49, Jyothi Mahal, St. Marks Road, Cantonment, Bangalore - 560 001. **...Applicant.**
And:
Mrs. Manasa Gowda & others ...Defendants

SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES 1993, BY WAY OF PAPER PUBLICATION

To, Defendants:
1.Mrs. Manasa Gowda, Aged about 36 Years, D/o. Nanje Gowda
2. Sri. Nanje Gowda Aged about 56 Years, S/o. Sri Hanumanthappa, Both are R/at: No. 780, Lakshmi Nivas, Nagapura Road, Rajajinagar, Mahalakshmipuram, Bangalore - 560 086.
3. M/s. Samrudhi Reality Ltd., [A company incorporated under the Provisions Act,1956] Having its Regd., office at: No.1, 2nd Floor, Tate Lane, Richmond Road Cross, Bangalore - 560 025. Rep., by its Authorized Signatory Mr. Yashodara. **... Defendants**

Under Section 19 of The Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 against the Defendants for Recovery of a sum of **Rs.84,26,318.21** P.s (Rupees Eighty Four Lakhs Twenty Six Thousand Three Hundred and Eighteen and Twenty One Paisa Only) together with current and future interest and other relief/s. The above mentioned defendants are required to appear before this Tribunal in person or through an Advocate, in support of their defense to show cause within 30 days or on before, **28-07-2023 at 10:30 A.M.** as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

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Sd/- Registrar,
Debts Recovery Tribunal - II

WESTERN RAILWAY

PROVIDING RUB/SUBWAY IN LIEU OF LC

Dy. Chief Engineer (Gati Shakti) Mumbai Central-400 008 invites **e-Tender Notice No. : GSU-MMCT-2023-24-ENGG-03 date 10.04.2023. Work and location : VIRAR-SURAT SECTION - Providing RUB/ Subway in Lieu of LC no 58 at KM 126/14-16 between Dahanu Road-Gholvad. Approx. cost of work: ₹ 48130638.00. EMD : ₹ 390700.00, Date & Time of submission : 04.05.2023, 15.00 hrs.; Date & Time of opening : 04.05.2023,15.30 hrs.** Regarding detailed nature of work, containing cost of tender document (non refundable), EMD, eligibility criteria, similar nature of work, detailed tender conditions, please visit **www.ireps.gov.in** Manual offers will not be considered. 0031

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IN THE COURT OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL- 1, AT BANGALORE

BSNL Building 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bengaluru- 560 001
O.A. No.80/2022

Between : HDFC Bank Ltd., Ground Floor, Rashtrothana Bhavan, Muncipal No. 3/1, Ward No. 77, Nrupathunga Road, Bangalore - 560 001. **...Applicant**
And :
1.Mr.Ramesh Kumar B. S/o. Bhawarilal Jain, Residing at No. 1414/7, 8th Main Road, 4th Cross, Banashankari 1st Stage, 2nd Block, Bangalore South, Bangalore - 560 050.
Also at : Mr. Ramesh Kumar B., Delight Telcom and Electronics, No. 33/1, 2nd Main Road, Vyalikaval, Bangalore - 560 003. **...Defendant**

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES OF 1993

Whereas, the applicant has instituted an application under Section 19, of Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act,1993 against the above defendants for the recovery of Sum of **Rs.22,35,612.14** (Rupees Twenty Two Lakhs Thirty Five Thousand Six Hundred and Twelve and Rupees Fourteen only), together with current and future interest and other reliefs.The above defendant is therefore hereby directed to before the Tribunal in person of through an advocate or through authorised agents in support of their defence to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on **24.05.2023 at 10.30 a.m.** as to why relief's prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this tribunal on this 18 March 2023.

Sd/- Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal-1, Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that my client **B.Lakkappa,** Aged about 75 years, S/o Late Borallingaiah, Residing at #08, 10th main road, J.C. Nagar, Kurubarahalli, Bangalore-560086, hereby informs that the original registered sale deed dated 31/12/1980 bearing book no 3302, volume pages 4 to 6, bearing document no 8121 and belongs to Sy. No 167 in Laggere village of 1.1 guntas in office of the sub registrar of Bangalore north taluk which have been lost/misplaced while applying encumbrance certificate on 02/09/2022 in the office of sub registrar Bangalore north taluk .My Client has also lodged a police Complaint no 0524502/2023 on 05/04/2023 before Crime branch Bangalore city police. Any person/s in possession of the aforesaid document may return the document to me or anyone having any sort of claim over the said property may lodge their objections in writing within 7 days from this day to the undersigned.

UK Advocates,
#42 & 43, Sri Mahdeshwara nilaya, 7th Cross, Vallabha nagara, Vasanthapura main Road, Konanakunte Cross, Bangalore -560062.
Ph-9206811788, 9611563659.
Date: 11.04.2023, Place: Bangalore

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform to General public that my client Sri.Vishwanath, R/at Bhattaramarenahalli Village, Devanahalli Taluk, intend to purchase the property bearing Khatha No. 221/170/1, PID No. 14-1-125 measuring in total 401.34096 Square meters and Katha No. 67/64/686/638. PID No. 14-1-129 measuring in total East West 27.432055 mts North South 9.144018 mts, in total 250.8381 Square meters both are Situated at 11th ward, 3rd Division BB Road, Devanahalli Town, Bangalore Rural District belongs to Rekha Venugopal G.V. W/o G.N. Venugopal and also reached the final negotiations with her. If any general public has objection and claims any right, title and interest in respect of the above properties. may either through notice Or may send their written objections with documentary proof to the undersigned within **SEVEN DAYS** from the date of this publication, failing which, my client will proceed with convince of the above said properties. Any belated objections will not be binding on my client.

Mobile No. 9880945599 & 9845558807
N. JAYARAMAPPA, Advocate
Off: Taluk Office Road, Near Old Sub Registrar Office, Devanahlli Town
Place: Devanahalli. Mob: 9845642338

IN THE COURT OF THE XXXV ADDL. CITY CIVIL AND SESSION JUDGE AT BANGALORE (CCH-36)
O.S. No.2293/2020

BETWEEN: M/s. Bank of Baroda, Erstwhile know as M/s. Vijaya Bank, Branch Office at Eshwar Rao Compound, Hessarghatta Road, T Dasarahalli, Bangalore-560057, Near 8th Mile Signal, Represented by its Chief Manager ... **PLAINTIFF**
AND: Ganesh .G, S/o Gopale Gowda, D# 17, 1st Floor, Suvarna Building, Indiranagar, Doddabidarakallu, Bengaluru-560073. ... **DEFENDANT**

SUIT SUMMONS TO DEFENDANT NO. 1 UNDER ORDER V RULE 20 (1-A)OF THE CODE OF CIVIL PROCEDURE

Ganesh .G, S/o Gopale Gowda .D, # 17, 1st Floor, Suvarna Building Indiranagar, Doddabidarakallu, Bengaluru-560073

Whereas the plaintiff above named has instituted the above Suit against you for decree of claim amount of Rs.2,55,931/- (Rupees Two Lakh Fifty Five Thousand Nine Hundred and Thirty One Only) with interest at 11.20% per annum and you are hereby summoned to appear in this court in person or by a pleader on the **02/06/2023** at **11:00 A.M** to answer the same. Failing which the petition shall be disposed off Ex-parte.

Given under my hand and seal of the court this 24/03/2023

By order of the Court, Assistant Registrar, City Civil Court, Bangalore.

Address for Service: **Sri GANESH SHET .H** No. 3/40, 2nd Floor, KHB Colony, 1st Stage, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore-560079.

SOUTH WESTERN RAILWAY G20

Application Notification No. 210/ Halt/SBC/04/2023

The undersigned, on behalf of the President of India, Invites sealed applications for appointment of Halt Agent from educated unemployed persons residing in and around the **Maralahalli** Train Halt Station in Tyakal - Bangarapet Section for issuing Unreserved Tickets on Commission Basis for a period of Five (05) Years or till up-gradation of the station whichever is earlier.

To Start functioning from : Date to be notified by the Administration.

Date and Time of submission of Application: **From 10:00 hrs. to 15:00 hrs. on 26-04-2023**

For details log on : www.swr.indianrailways.gov.in

Senior Divisional Commercial Manager **Bengaluru**
PUB/21/AAD/PRB/SWR/2023-24
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SOUTHERN RAILWAY

E-TENDER NOTICE
No. SA/GSU/OT/06/2023
Dated: 06.04.2023

CPM / GSU / Salem invites E-TENDERS for the Works: Item No. 01, Name of Work: Appointment of Project Supervision Services Agency (PSSA) for Various Works of GATI SHAKTHI Unit Salem Division; Value in : ₹ 1,16,94,180/-; EMD in : ₹ 2,08,500/-; Completion Period (Months) : 12; Closing date of tender at 11.00 hrs: 28.04.2023. Eligibility criteria for the above works: Please refer to RFP; Note: (i) It is the responsibility of the tenderers to check any Corrigendum is issued for any changes. For complete Details, please visit website at www.ireps.gov.in

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PUBLIC NOTICE

My client intends to purchase the below mentioned property from its present owner **Sri. MR.P. LOKESH,** s/o late Putte gowda. Any one having any sort of claims or objections relating to the property or proposed sale may lodge the same with the undersigned within 10 days from this publication, with supporting documents, failing which the sale transactions shall be completed without any reference to such right, title, interest and claim.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the immoveable property bearing Site No. 57, Khatha no. 77, Assessment No. 48/3, Bagalgunte Village, CMC Ward No. 08 and Present BBMP Ward No. 14, situated at Bagalgunte Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk:-**BOUNDED BY:**
East : Site No. 64 **West :** 20ft Road
North : Site No. 56 **South:** Site No. 58
Measuring East to West 40ft North to South 30ft., totally measuring 1200sq.ft., along with all easement and other rights appurtenance thereto and thereupon.

Anuradha. D., Advocate,
No. 48, NS Building, 8th Main Road, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar,T. Dasarahalli, Bangalore -560 057

The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Limited
H.O, No.2, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bengaluru - 560 018.
Phone 26677552, 26679041

PUBLIC AUCTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

The Borrower **Sri K.M.Suresh,** S/o Sri K.M.Mudaiah, R/a No.271, 7th Main, Meenakshinagar, Kamakshipalya, Bengaluru-79. The debt due to Bank as on **10.04.2023** of **Rs.39,61,957/-** + Interest & miscellaneous expenses. Auction sale under the securitization and reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforce of Security Interest Act 2002 Section 13(4) of the Immovable properties mortgaged to The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd., is brought to Sale under **"AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION" "AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION"on 17.05.2023, Wednesday at 11.00 am.** Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower/(s) and Guarantor/(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, **Symbolic possession** of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the eastern portion of the property bearing new No.40, Khanesumari No.155, in old Sy.No.70/31, situated at Sanneguruvanahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli,Bangalore North Taluk, comes under BBMP. Kamakshipalya, PID No.18-42-40. Measuring East to West: 27 ft and North To South:26 ft totally measuring 702 sq ft., and bounded as East by: Road, West by: 3 Ft. Common passage in the same property No.40 and the C and D schedule property of 3rd and 4th parties, North by ; 4 Ft. breadth and 30 Ft length of common passage in the same property No.40 for the access to the road & South by: Private property.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

(1) The public auction will be conducted in the premises of The Grain Merchants' Co-Operative Bank Ltd., Head Office No.2, Pampamahakavi Road, Chamarajpet, Bangalore-560018.
(2) For participation in the auction the intending bidders have to deposit an amount of Rs.9,15,800/- equivalent to 10% of the Reserve Price of the property Rs.91,58,000/- being cautioned deposit by means of Demand Draft/Pay Order drawn in favour of M/s.The Grain Merchant's Co.Operative Bank Ltd., The cautioned deposit shall be forfeited by the bank without any prior notice, if the successful bidder fails to adhere to the terms of sale, time and commits default in any manner.
(3) The Property "SHALL NOT" be sold below the reserve price
(4) In case the bidder is not successful the EMD amount shall be refund without interest.
(5) The successful bidder should deposit 25% of the sale price (inclusive of EMD) immediately after the auction sale, on the same day, in Cash or Demand Draft and the balance of the Sale price within 15 days from the date of confirmation of sale. In case of default by the successful bidder, all the amounts deposited till then shall be forfeited without notice and the property shall be put for re-auction.
(6) The successful bidder shall bear the statutory dues/taxes/charges/property tax/electricity charges/water charges/conveyance charges such as stamp duty, registration fee etc. that is required to be paid in order to get the property conveyed in his favour, as per the applicable laws.
(7) The authorized officer has absolute right to accept or reject any or all if the tender or/bid/ offer and/or adjourn/postpone/ cancel the auction sale without assigning any reason, and also to modify an or all terms and conditions of the sale without prior notice.
(8) The sale is subject to confirmation by the Bank.
(9) The property can be inspected by the intending bidder between 10.00 A.M. to 5.00 P.M. at his/her expenses at the address mentioned in the schedule.
(10) The property is put for sale on **"AS IS WHERE IS CONDITION" AND "AS IS WHAT IS CONDITION"** the intending bidder shall satisfy himself about the title,ownership,statutory approvals, encumbrances etc. of the property.

Sd/-
Place: Bangalore — **Authorised Officer,**
Date: 10.04.2023 — **The Grain Merchants' Co Operative Bank Ltd.,**

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Invites applications for the post of
Chief Executive Officer of Tamil Nadu Food Processing and Agri Export Promotion Corporation - **TN APEx**
Last date of receipt of application
27th April 2023 by 18:00 hrs.
For details login to website : **https://fametn.com/careers**

Industries Commissioner and Directorate of Industries and Commerce,
3rd Floor, SIDCO Corporate Office Building,
Thiru. Vi. Ka. Industrial Estate, Guindy, Chennai - 600 032.

Place : Chennai
Date : 12.04.2023

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Director of Health Campus, Sultan Bazar, Hyderabad - 95, Telangana State

Tender Notice No. 1/2023/Medicine/MW/TSMSIDC, Dt. 11.04.2023
Tender Notice No. 2/2023/Surgical/MW/TSMSIDC, Dt. 11.04.2023
Tender Notice No. 3/2023/DIAG/TSMSIDC, Dt. 11.04.2023

Above mentioned tender is invited through e-procurement platform (online) for Procurement and supply of following under Rate contract for a period of Two Years:- **T.No.1:-** Medicines, **T.No.2:-** Surgical & Consumables (1. General Consumables, 2. Speciality Consumables, 3. Devices, 4. Sutures, 5. Miscellaneous) and **T.No.3:-** Diagnostic Equipment, Reagents and Consumables & other items if any. Managing Director, TSMSIDC reserves the right to cancel the tender at any time without assigning any reason. For complete details, please visit website: **https://tender.telangana.gov.in** from **12.04.2023** onwards.

DIPR R.O. No. : 25-PP/CL-AGENCY/ADVT/1/2023-24 — *Sd/-* **Managing Director**

Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
311.21	Sensex	60,157.72	₹330	24 carat (10 gm)	₹60,910	₹300	Per kg	₹76,600	Dollar	82.00
98.25	Nifty	17,722.30	₹300	22 carat (10 gm)	₹55,850	₹3.0	Per gm	₹766	Euro	89.65

L&T arm settles US visa fraud claims

L&T Technology Services agrees to pay $9.9 mn to resolve allegations of underpaid visa fees

UMA KANNAN @ Bengaluru

L&T Technology Services (LTTS), a pure-play engineering services firm, has agreed to pay $9,928,000 to resolve allegations that it underpaid visa fees (between 2014 and 2019) owed to the US by acquiring inexpensive B-1 visas, rather than more expensive H-1B visas, in violation of the False Claims Act, said the US Attorney's Office District of South Carolina.

LTTS is a listed subsidiary of Larsen & Toubro Limited focused on Engineering and R&D (ER&D) services.

B-1 visas don't permit visa holders to perform paid labour in the US and fees for these visas were between $200 and $300. Also, there is no limit on the number of B-1 visas that could be issued. On the other hand, H-1B visas, which permit foreign nationals to perform paid labour, are difficult to obtain as the annual cap is 65,000. The fees for such work visas were between $4,000 to $6,000.

"The probe leading to this settlement was initiated through the filing of a whistleblower complaint in the United States District Court in Charleston, South Carolina," said the US Attorney Office in a statement.

The claims resolved by the settlement are allegations only, and there has been no determination of liability. LTTS has denied liability, is cooperating with the United States in this matter, and has taken significant steps to ensure compliance with U.S. visa laws, it added.

When asked about it, LTTS said, "We have been cooperating with the government on this matter for over three years and are pleased to have reached a resolution. Adherence to the laws of the land and visa compliance are a priority for LTTS and we hve policies to ensure they continually conform with the complex and evolving regulations."

"There is no impact on our financials due to the settlement. We have provided for this amount over the past quarters and therefore the quarterly and annual financials, which will be released later this month, will not be impacted," it added.

Visa fraud settlement

L&T Technology Services to pay **$9.9 MILLION** settle US visa fraud allegations

The firm allegedly had acquired B-1 visas instead of H-1B visas

VISA FEE FOR B-1 WORK IS NEARLY **$200-300,** H-1B VISAS COST ABOUT **$4K-6K**

LTTS is a listed subsidiary of Larsen & Toubro focused on Engineering and R&D (ER&D) services

It has over **21,600** employees across 22 global design centres, 28 global sales offices and 91 innovation labs as of Dec

ASIANOMICS

CHINA

SMALLER BANKS CUT DEPOSIT RATES

Several small and mid-sized banks in China have lowered their deposit interest rates, according to a Reuters report. It could help ease costs as loan growth faces more pressure amid rising economic risks. The move comes as lenders face rising pressure from narrower profit margins as China's economy recovers from three years of harsh pandemic curbs and a property market slump. Household savings have gone up while credit demand remains sluggish. Commerce and domestic demand are not back to pre-pandemic levels even as the country's economy was reopened after zero-COVID policies were lifted in December. The People's Bank of China (PBOC) told Reuters that the deposit rate cuts by some banks in April were "normal behaviour" guided by the self-disciplinary mechanism. Cut in lending rates to prop up the economy Lower deposit rates could also help ease banks' margin pressures, it added.

JAPAN

NEW BOJ HEAD RULES OUT MAJOR POLICY SHIFT

Bank of Japan (BOJ) new Governor Kazuo Ueda on Monday said he plans no drastic changes in its ultra-low interest rate policy. He said the country's financial institutions are not facing the sorts of turmoil seen recently with bank failures in the US and Europe. Ueda added that he will make effort to maintain stability in both prices and financial systems in the country. BOJ is seeing its first leadership change in a decade. Ueda is taking over the helm of BOJ at a time when inflationary pressures across the world is record high and central banks are increasing interest rates to contain price rise. Ueda's predecessor Haruhiko Kuroda, whose second 5-year term ended over the weekend, presided over a decade-long monetary stimulus program centered around zero or minus interest rates to nurture economic activity. Japan's benchmark rate has been at minus 0.1% for years. The aim is to encourage banks and consumers to spend more, spurring economic growth by keeping credit cheap.

ASIA

ASIAN SHARES TRADE MOSTLY HIGHER

Asian shares mostly traded higher on Tuesday, with Tokyo, Hong Kong, Seoul and Shanghai markets ending in the green. Japan's benchmark Nikkei 225 index gained 1.4% to 28,013.86 as the new central bank governor indicated late Monday that he expects to keep its ultra-low interest rate policy in place without drastic changes. South Korea's Kospi rose 1.4% to 2,546.07 after The Bank of Korea left its policy rate unchanged at 3.5% for a second straight meeting. Hong Kong's Hang Seng added 0.7% to 20,481.02, while the S&P/ASX 200 climbed 1.3% to 7,314.00. The Shanghai Composite index lost 0.2% to 3,310.00. Higher rates tend to hit tech and other high-growth stocks the hardest. Microsoft and Apple were the heaviest losers on the S&P 500. Apple declined 1.6% and Microsoft fell 0.8%. Tesla also fell 0.3% after paring a sharper, early loss.

HDFC Bank to raise ₹50000 crore via bonds over 12 months

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

Country's largest private sector lender HDFC Bank is planning to raise ₹50,000 crore through the issuance of bonds over the next 12 months. The board of directors would consider this proposal at its ensuing board meeting to be held on April 15.

"The bank proposes to raise funds by issuing Perpetual Debt Instruments (part of Additional Tier I capital), Tier II Capital Bonds and Long-Term Bonds (Financing of Infrastructure and Affordable Housing) up to total amount of ₹50,000 crore over the period of next twelve months through private placement mode," said the bank in a regulatory filing to the Bombay Stock Exchange.

The fundraising plan comes ahead of the bank's merger with mortgage lender HDFC, which is expected to be completed by the end of the June quarter.

Last week, HDFC Bank said the bank's deposits aggregated to approximately ₹18.8 lakh crore as of March 31, 2023, a growth of around 20.8% over ₹15.5 lakh crore as of March 31, 2022, and a growth of around 8.7% over ₹17.3 lakh crore as of December 31, 2022.

The bank's advances grew to ₹16 lakh crore as of March 2023, compared with ₹13.6 lakh crore as of March 2022.

Govt acquires two BSNL land plots for monetisation

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

THE National Land Monetization Corporation (NLMC) has taken over two land assets of BSNL for monetisation. government sources told this newspaper that two plots of lands of the government-owned telecom company hve been valued around ₹1,500 crore. The two plots of land are based in Lucknow and Hyderabad.

These will be the first land assets to be monetised by NLMC, which has been incorporated by the government to undertake monetisation of surplus land and building assets of Central Public Sector Enterprises (CPSEs) and other Government agencies.

Sources told that though BSNL has valued the two lands at ₹1,500-crore, the NLMC will hire international property consultants to value the properties independently. "The valuation will be based on a number of factors including saleability of the two plots, land use, etc," a government official said.

The official mentioned above also revealed the NLMC has taken control of a few flats belonging to BSNL and Hindustan Copper Ltd in Prayagraj. The corporation is in the process of taking control of some more buildings and flats in Mumbai, Kolkata and Delhi.

NLMC was incorporated in 2022. The government has stated CPSEs undergoing strategic disinvestment or closure, monetisation of surplus land and non-core assets is important to unlock their value. NLMC will support and undertake monetisation of these assets.

When asked if the government has given any monetization target to NLMC, the official said there are no such targets.

"We cannot have a target unless we know which CPSE has how much surplus land or unused buildings. This is an assessment that respective CPSEs will have to do on their own and then inform the NLMC to take over those assets," said the official.

EXPRESS READ

I-T Department notifies cost-inflation Index

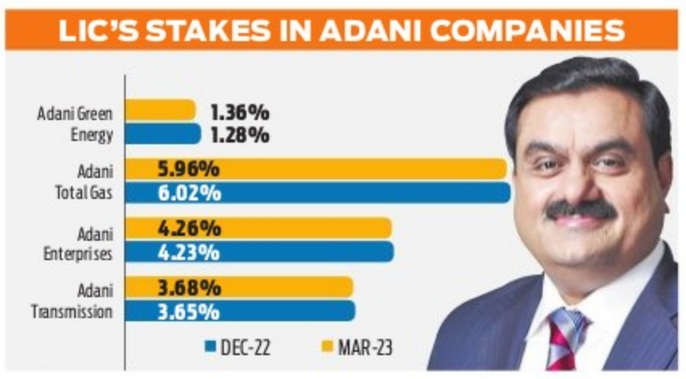
NEW DELHI: The Income Tax Department has notified the Cost Inflation Index for the current fiscal beginning April 2023, for calculating long-term capital gains arising from sale of immovable property, securities and jewellery. The Cost Inflation Index (CII) is used by taxpayers to compute gains arising out of sale of capital assets after adjusting inflation. CII for FY24 relevant to AY 2024-25 stood at 348, as per a notification of the Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT). *ENS*

LIC increases stake in 4 Adani cos in March quarter

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi

DESPITE drop in share prices by 50-80%, Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC) increased its stake in four Adani firms -- Adani Green Energy (AGEL), Adani Total Gas (ATGL), Adani Enterprises (AEL) and Adani Transmission (ATL) -- during the March 2023 quarter.

Even though the stake increase is minor, it comes in the quarter when US-based short-seller Hindenburg Research published its scathing report and LIC's huge exposure in Adani firms became talking point. The highest increase in stake by the state-run insurer was seen in Adani Green Energy and Adani Total Gas, the two Adani stocks that witnessed maximum erosion in value after Hindenburg accused the port-to-power conglomerate of stock price manipulation.



As per the exchange data available with Trendlyne, LIC, by March 2023 quarter-end, had a 1.36% stake in AGEL. This was 8 basis points (bps) higher than the 1.28% stake as of December 31, 2022. LIC's stake in ATGL grew by 6 bps to 6.02% in March quarter as against 5.96% at the end of December quarter. In AEL and ATL, LIC's stake grew by 3 bps each sequentially. The country's largest institutional investor held 4.26% stake in AEL as of March-end against 4.23% in the December quarter. In ATL, LIC upped its stake to 3.68% from 3.65% during the three-month period.

LIC stake remained stagnant at 6.41% in ACC. However, it reduced its exposure in Ambuja Cements, from 6.33% in December 2022 to 6.305 in March 2023. In Adani Ports and Special Economic Zone, LIC's holding came down to 9.12% from 9.14%. It is not known whether the share transactions took place before or after the release of the Hindenburg report on January 24, 2023. In about a month after the report, LIC's investment value in Adani firms took a beating of nearly ₹50,000 crore and for a small period, the return had turned negative. LIC's investment in Adani Group firms stood at ₹30,127 crore at the end of January 2023. LIC's high exposure in Adani stocks is widely criticised by Congress leader Rahul Gandhi and TMC leader Mahua Moitra.

Sebi releases framework for price band for listing day post IPO

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

IN a move aimed at checking the irregular fluctuations in stock prices, the Securities and Exchange Board of India (Sebi) on Tuesday released a new framework for fixing the price band for trading in shares on the first day of listing after an initial public offering.

The decision has been taken after discussions with stock exchanges and Sebi's Secondary Market Advisory Committee (SMAC), said the regulator in a circular. "Stock Exchanges are directed to take necessary steps to put in place systems for implementation of the circular, including necessary amendments to the relevant bye-laws, rules and regulations," noted the circular. For trading on the first day pursuant to Initial Public Offering (IPO) or re-listing, Sebi said that call auction sessions would continue to be conducted separately on individual exchanges and orders would be matched by respective exchanges after computation of equilibrium price.

In case the difference in the equilibrium price between exchanges in percentage terms is more than the applicable price band for the scrip, a Common Equilibrium Price (CEP) would be computed by exchanges.

''The CEP would be the volume weighted average of equilibrium prices on individual exchanges as determined by the call auction," the regulator said. Sebi said the exchanges would set this CEP in their trading systems and apply uniform price bands based on the CEP. Further, only unexecuted pending orders from call auction sessions would be carried forward to the normal market segment. The move came after Sebi observed that call auction sessions are conducted on multiple stock exchanges and that the discovered price or equilibrium price following such sessions could be different on each exchange.

Call auctions continue to be conducted separately

For trading on first day pursuant to IPO, Sebi said call auction sessions will continue to be conducted separately on exchanges and orders will be matched by respective exchanges after computation of equilibrium price

Apple reveals dates for store opening in Mumbai, Delhi

RAKESH KUMAR @ New Delhi

APPLE on Tuesday announced the opening dates of its first two retail stores in India.

Apple BKC in Mumbai will be open on April 18 and the Saket store in Delhi on April 20. The company called this move a "significant expansion in India" that will offer great new ways to browse, discover, and buy Apple products with exceptional service and experiences for customers. "Customers will be able to stop by to explore Apple's latest product lineup, find creative inspiration and get personalized service and support from the store's team of Specialists, Creatives, and Geniuses," the company said in a statement. The announcement of a retail store in India assumes significance as the Cupertino-based tech giant is shifting its production base to the country from China. Its assembling plants in China faced a complete shutdown in 2022 due to China's zero-Covid policy. Also, the tension between the US and the Chinese government is another reason that US technology companies are shifting their base to India or Vietnam.

As per Counterpoint Research, Apple may cross 5% market share this year, from 1% in 2019. In February 2023, Apple CEO Tim Cook, in an earnings call, said India is an exciting market for Apple and is a major focus. "We did fairly well through COVID in India. And I'm even more bullish now on the other side of it, or hopefully, on the other side of it. And that's the reason why we're investing there. We're bringing retail there and bringing the online store there and putting a significant amount of energy there," he added.

RBI issues framework for accepting 'green deposits' by banks, NBFCs

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Mumbai

IN a bid to foster a green finance ecosystem, the Reserve Bank of India (RBI) on Tuesday released framework for accepting 'green deposits' by banks and NBFCs.

The funds mobilised through green deposits can be used for financing enviroment-friendly projects and activities like renewable energy, green transport and green buildings. Banks and NBFCs will launch these deposits from June 1 this year.

"Climate change has been recognised as one of the most critical challenges faced by the global society and economy in the 21st century. The financial sector can play a pivotal role in mobilizing resources and their allocation thereof in green activities and projects," said RBI in circular.

The purpose and rationale for the framework, RBI said is to encourage Regulated Entities (REs) to "offer green deposits to customers, protect interest of the depositors, aid customers to achieve their sustainability agenda, address greenwashing concerns and help augment the flow of credit to green activities/projects".

Some REs are already offering green deposits for financing green activities and projects. Banks and NBFCs will have to put in place a comprehensive board-approved policy on green deposits, it added.

Elaborating on the allocation of funds mobilised from green deposits, the central bank said that the projects must encourage energy efficiency in resource utilisation, reduce carbon emissions and greenhouse gases, promote climate resilience and adaptation and value and improve natural ecosystems and biodiversity.

Renewable energy, energy efficiency, clean transportation, climate change adaptation, sustainable water and waste management, and green buildings, are among the list of projects and activities where banks and NBFCs could allocate the proceeds raised through green deposits.

TOWARDS GREENER ECONOMY

- Banks, NBFCs can launch green deposits from June 1
- Funds raised from such deposits to be used for environment-friendly projects
- Banks, NBFCs will have to make policy on green deposits
- Green deposits will foster & develop green finance ecosystem in country

Sensex reclaims 60K level as mkt gains for 7th session

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

DOMESTIC equity benchmark BSE Sensex on Tuesday reclaimed the 60,000 level and the NSE Nifty50 surpassed the 17,700 mark as bulls retained their grip for the seventh straight session.

Investors added gains of over ₹12.50 lakh crore during this period as the market capitalisation of all BSE-listed firms soared to Rs 264.51 lakh crore on Tuesday. Sensex closed the Tuesday session at 60,157.72, up by 311.21 points or 0.52%. Nifty 50 advanced 98.25 points or 0.56% to end at 17,722.30.

The ongoing rally is supported by the expectation of strong quarterly earnings by India Inc, improving global cues, slowing down of inflation and a dovish stance taken by the Central Bank in its recent policy meeting. India's market, at present, seems to have absorbed the global banking crisis and the Fed Reserve's rate hike concerns. "Strong Asian and European market cues bolstered the ongoing bullish sentiment and lifted the Sensex above the crucial 60000-mark. Although the rally seems to be stretched, the feel good factors like interest rate status quo by the RBI, robust GST collections and mixed economic growth numbers are giving investors the ammo to bet on domestic stocks," said Shrikant Chouhan, Head of Equity Research (Retail), Kotak Securities. The current rally is being led by metals, banking, auto and realty stocks. IT stocks are under pressure ahead of earnings announcements by frontline companies this week.

Top gainers in Sensex pack on Tuesday were Kotak Bank (up 5%) and Tata Steel (up 2.4%). ITC, ICICI Bank, Maruti Suzuki, Bajaj Finserv, M&M, and SBI advanced between 1% to 2%. Among IT stocks, TCS fell 1.5% followed by Infosys, HCL Tech, Tech Mahindra and Wipro.

Delphi TVS bets on tractor and CV market to spur growth

VAITHEESWARAN B @ Chennai

AUTOMOTIVE component manufacturing firm Delphi-TVS to focus on the tractor and commercial vehicle (CV) segment in the upcoming years to steer growth, as the passenger vehicle segment is slowly shifting to electric engines from internal combustion engines.

The Chennai-based firm manufactures diesel fuel injection equipment across cars, commercial vehicles and industrial engines.

"We expect a huge volume from the tractor business after the implementation of TREM V norms for diesel tractors. Once it happens, our share of tractors (in total business) will go up significantly from a negligible presence now," said TK Balaji, Chairman and MD of the company. The firm plans to invest ₹450 crore over next three years to manufacture common rail injection products at its Chennai facility.

I hope to play with Messi next season at Barca: Lewandowski

Barcelona striker Robert Lewandowski said he would love **Lionel Messi** to return to the Catalan club from Paris Saint-Germain this summer. "Messi belongs to Barca and if he returns it would be something incredible," said Lewandowski. "We know that his place is here, in Barcelona. I don't know what will happen, but I hope that next season we can play together."

Piyush Chawla (c) of MI celebrates after taking a wicket on Tuesday | SPORTZPICS

Rohit, Chawla deliver for Mumbai in Delhi

AGENCIES @ New Delhi

FOR the second time in 24 hours, the Indian Premier League had a last ball finish. After Bangalore and Lucknow were involved in an instant classic on Monday, Delhi and Mumbai, two of the only teams to remain winless at the start of Tuesday, were involved in a classic of their own.

Needing two to win and one to enforce a super over, the magnificant Anrich Nortje almost defended it. Batter Tim David, at the striker's end, drove a hard length down to ground before Cameron Green and he ran like hares to complete a double in the nick of time. For Mumbai, this was salvation after a tough start to the 16th edition.

Mumbai, the five-time champions, will feel better about life and not just in the context of the game. Overall, they will feel better now that captain Rohit Sharma has found some touch with the bat. It was his 45-ball 65 that set the visitors on their way in search of 173 on a spinning track.

Out of the many shots Sharma had essayed under the lights, one — pulling a very quick Anrich Nortje delivery from outside off stump over deep square leg — will be part of many an highlight reel. With the ball, it was Piyush Chawla who excelled as his 3/22 helped them set the tone after opting to field first. Even as David Warner scratched around, the Delhi top-order continued to be flaky. The end result was they had lost half the side with just 98 on the board as Chawla triggered a sensational collapse.

Chawla, though, had other ideas as he scalped Manish Pandey before trapping Rovman Powell and breaching through Lalit Yadav's defences. At one stage, it looked like they might not even make 150 but Axar Patel late blitzkrieg — 25-ball 54 — salvaged the innings from the hosts' perspective.

Brief scores: DC 172 in 19.4 ovs (Axar 54, Warner 51; Chawla 3/22, Behrendorff 3/23) lost to MI 173/4 in 20 ovs (Rohit 65, Tilak 41).

In a format that is punishing for bowlers, ace spinner says ability to adapt on a particular day key to success

ASHWIN-NNING FORMULA

GOMESH S @ Chennai

"NOWADAYS, nothing is safe," laughs Chennai Super Kings' Ravindran Jadeja on the eve of the clash against Rajasthan Royals at the MA Chidambaram Stadium, Chennai on Wednesday when asked what would be a good total to put on the board. It's been the story of white-ball cricket for a while now.

The game is measured, analysed on a ball-by-ball basis with data and match-ups as batters try to be proactive through every phase of play. Irrespective of when a bowler is being brought on — powerplay, middle-overs and death — the first intention of batters in T20s is to hit them over the ropes. In the final four overs, it has been even more difficult for the bowlers.

This IPL season has been no different. In the last four overs, Royal Challengers Bangalore scored 68 runs against Lucknow. Super Giants, Mumbai Indians made 44 against CSK, Gujarat Titans and Kolkata Knight Riders scored 60 and 52 runs, respectively, in the match against each other to name a few examples of how death overs have panned in the recent games. LSG even went heavy in the middle-overs against RCB with Nicholas Pooran going berserk.

The bottom line is that to be effective as a T20 bowler isn't easy and requires an incredible amount of skill set for each phase of play. Then there is the role of dew in the second innings. In the 15 games (until RCB vs LSG), bowlers have conceded over 50 runs in a game as many as eight times, with Yash Dayal going for 69 against KKR. In the same period, bowlers have given away 40 runs or more 20 times.

How does a bowler approach the ruthless nature of the format, when the batter is ready to hit him/her for a six? R Ashwin draws parallel to baseball to explain it.

"You have to look at it like a baseball pitcher. He wants to hit a home run every ball," he says. "Sometimes I do (feel like a baseball pitcher). Sometimes I wish I can run an extra yard and bowl, like how a batter leaves the crease," he adds with a laugh in a select media interaction on Tuesday.

For Ashwin, it is about the four overs, the batter in front and what score is on board if the team is bowling second and adapting to different surfaces and conditions.

"Recently, in the PSL, every score was ticking towards 240-250. You will have such games also coming into the fore. How much are we going to be able to handle dew? How controllable is it? I mean, you can say a lot of things, you can practice with wet balls, but still a wet ball is a wet ball. It's going to present its own challenges. So, I think it's about how you can adapt and get through on that particular day. I think that day, then and there, is very important."

Full story: newindianexpress.com

R Jadeja during a practice session on Tuesday | ASHWIN PRASATH

R Ashwin has been a reliable operator over the years | ASHWIN PRASATH

Brief scores: Royal Challengers Bangalore 212/2 in 20 ovs (Du Plessis 79 n.o, Maxwell 59, Kohli 61) **lost to** Lucknow Super Giants 213/9 in 20 ovs (Stoinis 65, Pooran 62, Badoni 30).

Super Kings look to maintain momentum

ASHOK VENUGOPAL @ Chennai

BUOYED with a convincing win against Mumbai Indians on Saturday, a confident looking Chennai Super Kings would like to carry forward the momentum when they meet Rajasthan Royals in the Indian Premier League here on Wednesday evening.

The hosts will once again look to the openers Ruturaj Gaikwad and Devon Conway to give a good start. Gaikwad, with scores of 92, 57 and 40 in the last three games, is in good form and he will be key if they are to put up a fighting total. Conway needs to measure up but Ajinkya Rahane coming good against Mumbai gives CSK good options at the top of the order.

"Ruturaj is in awesome touch. Jinks (Rahane) splendid show against Mumbai will pose a selection dilemma for the CSK think tank against Rajasthan. But I feel Rahane was in good touch and thus CSK will go with the flow. The last few games in the IPL have been high-scoring ones. That is the trend now. So CSK must make maximum use of the powerplay and put runs on the board," said CSK bowling coach L Balaji.

The trend is to bat out the opposition. So captains and coaches have started to burn the midnight oil to draw strategies on how to contain the power hitters in the opponent's ranks. Rajasthan has powerful hitters in Jos Buttler, Sanju Samson, Yashasvi Jaiswal and Shimron Hetmyer.

CSK lead spinner Ravindra Jadeaja is not worried. "It depends on where you are playing. In Chennai, the wicket favours spinners, I don't try too many different things, we can just stick to the basic line and length. And it depends what fields we are bowling to, things can keep changing during the game, but it depends where we are playing, whether we are playing in Bangalore, so we have to bowl according to the wicket, you know what wicket is offering on a particular day."

Full story: newindianexpress.com

TATA IPL

EXCITING CONTEST ON THE CARDS

One of Chennai or Rajasthan have the opportunity to join Lucknow at the top of the still nascent IPL table. A look at the match-up...

BUTTLER-JAISWAL VS CSK NEW-BALL BOWLERS

This is a bit like saying water is wet but the winner of this confrontation will likely win the match. The Royals' openers almost score at above 10 per over in the powerplay. If the hosts, who will be without Deepak Chahar, can contain them, it will be a big plus. If not, this could get ugly pretty quickly.

SPINNERS TO HOLD CENTRE-STAGE?

Chennai's first home match against Lucknow was a bit of a batting paradise but odds are that pitch played better than the teams expected. Expect a drier more spin-friendly surface. With Maheesh Theekshana now in-situ, you could expect them to bowl 12-16 overs of spin in the form of Theekshana, Mitchell Santner, Moeen Ali and Ravindra Jadeja.

NO STOKES AGAIN

Ben Stokes is set to miss the matchday squad yet again. In terms of the overseas contingent, it's likely that **Devon Conway** will keep his place. If Theekshana is to be drafted in straightaway — he landed on Monday — South Africa's Sisanda Magala could make way.

7.30 PM, CHENNAI, STAR SPORTS AND JIO CINEMA

EXPRESS READ

Ankita guides India to 2-1 win over Thailand

TASHKENT: Seasoned Ankita Raina triumphed in the second singles and then combined with Rutuja Bhosale to win the decisive doubles as India went past Thailand 2-1 in the Asia/Oceania Group I competition on the opening day of the Bille Jean King Cup here. Raina beat Peangtarn Plipuech in the singles tie. Raina and Bhosale came from behind to beat Kumkhum and Plipuech 4-6, 6-3, 6-2.

Priyanshu jumps to career-best World No 38

NEW DELHI: Riding on his title-winning run at the Orleans Masters Super 300 tournament, India's Priyanshu Rajawat jumped 20 places to achieve a career-best world ranking of 38 in the latest BWF rankings. The 21-year-old from Madhya Pradesh clinched his maiden Super 300 title after beating Denmark's Magnus Johannsen 21-15, 19-21, 21-16.

TN govt to provide funds for ATP event

ENS @ Chennai

THE Sports Development of Tamil Nadu (SDAT) have confirmed that the state government will provide funds for the conduct of an ATP tour event in the city. "We will provide funds to host the ATP Chennai Open in 2023," the SDAT twitter handle posted.

The event moved out of the city after the 2017 edition to Pune, who have retained the license to hold the event since then. With there being no holes in the 2023 calendar, one wonders how the Tamil Nadu Tennis Association (TNTA) will find a slot in the calendar.

Meanwhile, the SDAT have confirmed that the city will host the men's Asian Champions Trophy at the Mayor Radhakrishnan Stadium sometime in the second half of 2023.

REAL TEST FOR STRUGGLING CHELSEA

HOLDERS REAL MADRID BEGIN PROHIBITIVE FAVOURITES AGAINST CHELSEA WHILE NAPOLI, MILAN ENGAGE IN A FIXTURE LOADED WITH INTRIGUE. A LOOK AT THE QUARTERFINAL FIRST LEGS OF THE CHAMPIONS LEAGUE ON WEDNESDAY...

REAL MADRID VS CHELSEA

BACKGROUND

The La Liga giants suffered a shock home defeat against Villarreal at the weekend but remain odds on to qualify from this encounter. They showed their class against Liverpool recently and expect them to do the same against fellow Premier League opposition. Chelsea have had a change of management but fortunes remained the same against interim boss Frank Lampard. It feels like a collection of individuals and not a team at the movement.

KEY PLAYERS

Vini Jr

The Brazilian is the club's leading goalscorer in Europe with six goals but he's more than just goals. He works the channels, is creative (three assists in Champions League in six games this season) and is tireless down the wing. That discipline could cause Chelsea problems down the right.

Reece James

Different parts of the Chelsea's units have stopped functioning over the course of the season but their defensive game has been okay, relatively speaking. James, who loves to dribble before firing in crosses to the players in the attacking third, will be an encouraging outlet for the Blues.

MILAN VS NAPOLI

BACKGROUND

Napoli, who are still on course to win their first Serie A title in over 30 years, suffered an unpleasant 0-4 reverse at their home to the same outfit in the league. The one big absentee will be the injured Victor Osimhen. For Milan, they have most of their big-hitters in good looking form. And at their home, this could well come down to experience.

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Rafael Leao is Milan's top-scorer in Europe with four

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Medal for Priya on senior int'l debut

FIROZ MIRZA @ Chennai

YOUNG wrestler Priya Malik bagged a handful of medals in age group competitions last year. She had won a silver each at the U-20 World and Asian Championships in 2022. She had also clinched gold at both the U-17 World and Asian Championships in the same year.

Given her show last year, Priya was considered a future prospect. And she proved them right on her senior debut as the 18-year-old from Nidani village of Jind district (Haryana) won a 76kg bronze at the Asian Championships in Astana, Kazakhstan on Tuesday. Competitions in women's wrestling began with bouts in five weight categories. Apart from Priya, Nisha Dahiya bagged a silver medal in 68kg. Neelam (50kg) was also in contention for bronze but she lost the playoff to a Chinese wrestler.

Priya beat Hui Tsz Chang of Chinese Taipei 2-1 in the qualification round to enter the quarterfinals. She, however, lost her bout to Aiperi Medet Kyzy of Kyrgyzstan by fall (0-4). Priya made it to the bronze medal playoff as the Kyrgyzstan wrestler entered the final. She then defeated Japanese wrestler Mizuki Nagashima 2-1 to finish on the podium.

"The medal on debut, especially in the Olympic qualifying year will give her a lot of confidence. Given her weight category, which is an Olympic class, she will now work hard for the World Championships scheduled in September. The Worlds is a qualifying event for the 2024 Paris Games," Jaibhagwan, Priya's father, said. Even though her father and uncle Rakesh were wrestlers, it was Priya's grandfather Pirthi Singh who inspired her to take up the sport. "She is good at studies as well and I wanted her to focus on education. But my father inspired her to pursue her career in wrestling. She started training in 2017 and won medals in age group nationals much to the delight of her grandfather. However, when she won her maiden international medal, a 73kg gold in the 2021 Cadets World Championships, he was not there to see her succeed as he passed away a year before due to a heart attack," added the father.

India's Sito (55kg) and Worlds medallist Sarita Mor (59kg) also competed on Tuesday but they lost to go out of medal contention. "Priya's win against the Japanese wrestler is important. It was tough but she kept her composure to walk away with bronze. Tomorrow (Wednesday), we are expecting at least three medals," said Virender Dahiya, India coach.

SPORTS CODE

Permit all state, UT associations to vote: HC directs EFI

INDRANEEL DAS @ Chennai

IN what could usher in changes in the Equestrian Federation of India (EFI) administration, the Delhi High Court has directed it to conduct its election under specific guidelines as early as possible. According to the order pronounced on Tuesday, institutions and individuals will not be allowed to vote, while the court has asked EFI to permit all state and union territories voting rights. And for clubs and units, the court has formed a methodology for voting pattern to bring in "equal participation". EFI elections were last held in 2019.

It has also appointed retired high court judge Ajit Bharihoke as returning officer to supervise the election process including finalising the new electoral college. Justice Tushar Rao Gedela delivered the judgment in response to a writ filed Rajasthan Equestrian Association petition against EFI in 2019.

The court is of the view that since the Asian Games is to be held in September-October this year, it is imperative that a selection committee is in place and that will be possible when an elected body takes charge of the EFI. "...A functioning Executive Committee of EFI, being an NSF, is necessary to formulate a Selection Committee for the same, which can only be formulated after the successful emergence of the governing body of EFI, duly elected by electoral college, endorsed in accordance with the Sports Code," said the order.

Justice Gedela has directed the EFI to "permit all the State/Union Territories Associations to cast their votes (two) after fulfilling all the requisite criteria and in any case not unduly prevent them from casting votes, subject to their eligibility to be decided by the Election Officer/Returning Officer."

As far as institutions are concerned, they will not have any voting rights. "No Institutions/Individuals would have any right to cast votes." It needs to be seen what happens to institutions like the Quartermaster Branch and even the Services Sports Control Board.

The court has asked EFI to permit 25 per cent of the vote share to be Eminent Sports Persons. There are 36 state units and union territories, which means there are 72 votes, while for eminent sportspersons the number could be around 18-20.

For clubs and units, the court has formulated a methodology for voting. "Wherever and in whichever State/UT the State Association or UT Association is available, no Club/Unit would be permitted to cast votes. But wherever state/UT associations are not available, "all eligible Clubs/Units will cast one vote each which would be proportionately divided in Two Votes in all, by granting proportionate share to each Club/Unit and the greater percentage amongst those who vote, would be the deciding factor for the respective candidates. This measure is undertaken to ensure equal participation of the concerned stakeholders..."

The court also discussed over sports ministry's renewal of recognition of the EFI and pointed out that despite submitting its roadmap in 2017, it is yet to implement it. The sports ministry had repeatedly asked the federation to submit a road map and comply with it.

Full story: newindianexpress.com

Wherever and in whichever State/UT the State Association or UT Association is available, no Club/Unit would be permitted to cast votes. — Delhi HC order

PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are hereby informed that my client intend to purchase the Schedule Property from its owner **SRI. Bylappa,** S/o. Late Sri. Puttaiah, residing at Kasaba Hobli, T. Begur, Teppadabeguru, Nelamangala, Bangalore Rural- 562 123. Any Person/s or Institution/s having any Claim/s or Objection/s in respect of the Schedule Property may file the same along with supporting documentary evidence with the undersigned within 10 days from the date of publication of this notice. If no claim/s or objection/s is / are received by the undersigned within 10 days as stated above, my client will proceed further as the property is free from all claim/s and objection/s.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of immovable property being agricultural land bearing Survey No. 241/7, measuring 1 Acre 4 ½ Guntas situated at T-Begur Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore District is bounded on:

East : Survey No. 241/8
West : Survey No. 241/3
North : Road
South : Revanna Siddappa & Lingaiah's Land

Sd/- **R. K RAVI CHANDAN,** Advocate,
R C ASSOCIATES
No: 631, 8th B Main Road, 2nd Block, 3rd Stage, Basaveswaranagar, Bengaluru-79.Date: 11.04.2023

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SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of immovable agricultural land bearing Survey No. 241/3, measuring 1 Acre 4 ½ Guntas situated at T-Begur Village, Kasaba Hobli, Nelamangala Taluk, Bangalore District is bounded on:

East : Survey No. 241/7
West : Karibaravia & Gangabyla's Land
North : Road
South : Revanna Siddappa & Lingaiah's Land

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Sálim Ali Centre

for Ornithology and Natural History (Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Govt. of India) Anaikatty, Coimbatore - 641 108

Advt. No.SACON/RES/RCTMT-ADVT-02/2023

The Sálim Ali Centre for Ornithology and Natural History (SACON), wishes to engage **Project Scientist (01)** (Indian National only) on temporary basis. For further information, please refer **www.sacon.in/careers**.

Research Coordinator

MISSING

Victor Alias
(60 years old)

Victor Alias, a resident of Mutthara Village in Poonthura Ward, Cheriyamuttam, near Fidas Center, TC 47/971 Pallivilakam Purayidam, has been reported missing since 16.10.2022. The Poonthura Police Station has registered a case (Crime 1407/2022) under Section 57 (A)(1) of the KP Act, and it is currently under investigation.

Identification Marks: Victor Alias has a black complexion, a slim build, and is 170 cm tall. He has gray hair and was last seen wearing a white dhoti and a maroon-colored shirt with columns.

If any information about the missing person please contact the under mentioned.

SHO Poonthura Police Station - 94979 87009
Poonthura Police Station - 94979 80020
Poonthura Police Station - 0471 2380729

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PUBLIC NOTICE

It is brought to the public notice that our client has negotiated and is in process of purchasing the Schedule Property from its owners Sri. Z S Kothavala and others.

Any person/s objecting for the proposed purchase in any manner whatsoever or having any right in the Schedule Properties may lodge their objection/s and /or claims with the under signed along with the supporting documentary evidence with in **Fifteen days** from the date of publication, and objections and /or claims received thereafter will not be entertained and binding on my client and my client will proceed to complete the Sale process of the Schedule Properties deeming that there is /are no claim/s or objection/s to the same.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of Lands Situated at Shetterahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District mentioned here below:

Sl. No.	Sy.No	Extent		Boundaries			
		Acres	Guntas	East by	West by	North by	South by
1	123/1	0	39	Sy No : 123/2	Sy No : 130	Sy No : 128	SY No: 122
2	128	0	36	SY No: 125	SY No: 129	Sy No: 126 & 127	Sy No: 123/1 & 123/2
3	129	5	36	Sy No: 127 & Sy No:128	Sy No: 131 & Sy No: 132	Sy No: 136	Sy No: 130
4	130	5	15	Sy No: 123/1, 122 & Sy No: 121	Sy No: 131	Sy No: 129	Sy No 139
5	136	3	24	Sy No: 137	Sy No: 135	Sy No: 44	Sy No: 129
6	137	0	06	Remaining land in Same sy no 136	Sy No: 136	Sy No: 136 & Road	Remaining land in Same sy no 136

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AXIS BANK

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DEMAND NOTICE

A notice is hereby given that the following borrowers have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of credit facilities obtained by them from the bank and said facilities have turned in to Non-performing Assets. The notices were issued to them under section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act. 2002 on their last known addresses, however the same have returned un-served and as such they are hereby informed by way of public notice about the same.

Sl. No.	Name & Address of the Borrower	Property Address on Which Loan Availed	Notice Date	Bal. O/S (Claimed) in Rs.
1	**1)Mr. Mahesh Domanal** S/o Danappa, House No 8, C/O H R Shivanagowda, Trimurthy Nagar, Bijapur 586104 **Also At :** No 3490, Basavanthpur Hatti, Tq Basavan Bagewadi Dist, Bijapur-586203 **Also At :** Maxlife insurance Co Ltd, Dr Jha Marg Max House, Okhla, New Delhi-110020 **(Borrower/ Mortgager)** **2) Mrs. Neelambika Domanal** D/o Mahesh House No 8, C/O H R Shivanagowda, Trimurthy Nagar, Bijapur-586104 **Also At :** No7, Ibrahimpur, Bijapur-586109. **(Co Applicant)**	All That Piece and Parcel Of the Plot No 27 sy no 25 of Kasaba Siddhartha Developer Bangalore Road Bijapur and Bounded as follows : East by : Plot No 26, West by : Road, North by : Private Land, South by : Plot No 24. **For Further clarification please contact Mr Sanjayprasad 9916566630**	**03.03.2023 NPA Date 09.06.2021**	**Loan No. PHR034201346713 Power Home Rs 14,72,123 /- as on 03.03.2023**

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrowers and/ or the guarantors (where ever applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding dues as mentioned above along with future interest and applicable charges within 60 days from the date of the publication of this notice failing which further steps will be taken after the expiry of 60 days of the date of this notice as per the provision of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act. 2002. Please note that under Section 13(13) of the said Act, no Borrower shall, after Receipt of Notice referred to in Sub-section (2), transfer by way of sale, lease or otherwise any of his secured assets referred to in the notice, without prior written consent of the secured creditor.

The Borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of sub-section (8) of sections 13 of the Act. The borrowers may redeem the secured assets by paying the dues of the secured creditor together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred at any time before the date of publication of notice for public auction or inviting quotations or tender from public or private treaty for transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale of the secured assets.

Place : Bangalore
Date : 11.04.2023

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Axis Bank Ltd.

Can Fin Homes Ltd

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POSSESSION NOTICE [Rule 8 (1)]

The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd. under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 and in exercise of the powers under the said Act and Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002, issued a demand notice dated 30.01.2023 calling upon the borrowers **Mrs. KEERTHISHREE K & Mr. SAICHARAN G** to repay the amount mentioned in the notice being **Rs.9,52,305/-** with further interest at contractual rates, till date of realization within 60 days from the date of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security Interest Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on this the **10th day of April 2023.**

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of CFHL for an amount of **Rs.9,52,305/-** and interest thereon .

Description of immovable property

All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing Northern portion of Site no.23, Property No.25/4, Khatha No.25/4/23, situated at Seegehalli Village, K.R. Puram Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, now comes under jurisdiction of BBMP Bangaluru, Karnataka. Measuring East to West: 40 feet and North to south: 15 feet total in all measuring 600 square feet & bounded as follow: East by: Road, West by: Site no.27 and 28, North by: Site no.22 and South by: Remaining portion of same site no.23 in the name of Sri.Kanaparthi Madhava Rao.

Sd/-
Place: Bangalore
Date: 11.04.2023
Authorised Officer
Can Fin Homes Ltd.,

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL - I - BENGALURU

4th Floor, Telephone House Building Rajbhavan Road Bangalore - 560001

Form No. 14 (See Regulation 33(2))
DRC No. 10427

State Bank of India, Mysore Road Branch, Bangalore- 560040
...Certificate Holder

Versus

Sri. R.R. Chandrashekar and Another

DEMAND NOTICE

1.Sri. R.R. Chandrashekar S/o Sri. R. Ramachander No. B - 47, KSSIDC Industrial Area,Kumbalagodu, Bangalore - 560 074, **Also at:** No.179, Shankaranagar, Nandini Layout Post Bangalore - 560 096. **And also at:** No.498/27, 33rd Main 6th Phase, J.P Nagar Bangalore - 560 078.

2. Sri. R. Vasudev (Late), S/o Sri. Rangappa, No. 179, Shankaranagar Nandini Layout Post, Bangalore - 560 096. **And also at:** No.498/27, 33rd Main ,6th Phase, J.P Nagar Bangalore - 560078.

In view of the Recovery Certificate issued in **O.A. No.191/2012** passed by the Presiding Officer, DRT, Bangalore an amount of **Rs.23,73,053/-** (Rupees Twenty Three Lakhs Seventy Three Thousand Fifty Three Only) is due against you along with interest and costs from date of filing of O.A.s till relaization.

You are hereby called upon to deposit the above sum within 15 days of the receipt of the notice, failing which the recovery shall be made as per rules.

In additions to the sum aforesaid you will be liable to pay:

a) Such interest as is payable for the period commencing immediately after this notice of the execution proceedings.b) All costs, charges and expenses incurred in respect of the service of this notice and other process that may be taken for recovering the amount due.

Given under my hand and seal of the Tribunal on **31.05.2018.**

Sd/- Recovery Officer
Debts Recovery Tribunal, Bangalore

Note: Attention is invited to Rule 16 of the Second Schedule of the Income Tax Act 1961 read with Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 which is reproduced below:

"Rule 16 (1) Where a notice has been served on a defaulter under Rule 2, the defaulter or his representative in interest shall not be competent to mortgage, charge, lease or otherwise deal with any property belonging to him except with the permission of the Debt Recovery Officer, nor shall any Civil Court issue any process against such property in execution of a decree for the payment of money.(2) Where an attachment has been made under this Schedule any private transfer or delivery of the property attached or of any interest therein and any payment to the defaulter of any debt, dividend or other monies contrary to such attachment, shall be void, as against all claims enforceable under the attachment".

EMPLOYEES' PROVIDENT FUND ORGANISATION

Regional Office, Bengaluru (Electronic City)

Annapoorneshwari Complex, No. 37/1, 6th Main, Singasandra, Bengaluru–560068
Ph: 080-25734492/29770520/25733817 E-mail: ro.bms1@epfindia.gov.in

EPFO EXTENDS DATE FOR APPLICATIONS REGARDING PENSION ON HIGHER WAGES

Supreme Court had held that the employees who have retired before 1st September 2014 and had exercised option under paragraph 11(3) prior to their retirement shall be eligible for pension on higher wages. Instructions in this regard had been issued to field offices vide circular dated 29.12.2022 and 05.01.2023. Online facility for submitting applications for validation of joint options to the employees who retired before 01.09.2014 and had exercised joint options before their retirement had been provided on the EPFO Website till 03.03.2023.

Now, on demand of the employees' / employers' associations the Chairman, Central Board of Trustees has extended the time for submitting applications for validation of joint options from such employees till 3rd May 2023.

Note: Members/Pensioners may file online applications using the following URL: **https://unifiedportal-mem.epfindia.gov.in/memberInterfacePohw/member**

Sd/- Regional P. F. Commissioner – I
Regional Office, Bengaluru (Electronic City), EPFO

COFFEE BOARD

MINISTRY OF COMMERCE & INDUSTRY
GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
No.1, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Veedhi, Bengaluru - 560 001.

No. CB/136th ICC/2023-24/154 Date: 06.04.2023

NOTIFICATION

TENDER FOR SELECTION OF 5-STAR HOTEL FOR ORGANISING 136th SESSION OF INTERNATIONAL COFFEE COUNCIL

Coffee Board, a Statutory Organization under the Ministry of Commerce & Industry, Government of India, invites sealed tenders from reputed 5-star Hotels for selection of Hotel for organizing 136th session of the International Coffee Council during September 2023. For more details, please visit **https://eprocure.gov.in** or **Coffee Board's Website www.indiacoffee.org**. The bids have to be submitted through **e-procurement portal only. Last date for receipt of sealed tenders is 26.04.2023 by 3.00 PM.**

Sd/-
Director of Finance
Coffee Board

PUBLIC NOTICE

ICICI Bank **Branch Office:** ICICI Bank Ltd, Service Centre 24, South Phase, Ambattur Industrial Estate Ambattur Chennai 600058.

The following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). A notice was issued to them under Section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 on their last known addresses, however it was not served and hence they are hereby notified by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset / Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Malathi V, Malathi Vijayakumar & K Dhanapal/ 10 11, Kodeeswaran Nagar, Thiirunallar Villagekaraikalr S No 57/2 50/7 50/6 50/8 Karaikal- 609603/ LBTVR00005466089	Pudhucherry R.D., Thirunallur Sub Registry, Thirunallar Commune.No. 21, Thirunallar Village, Plot Nos.10, 11 an Extent 03 R 34 Santhiynar or 3600 Sq.feet Comprised in 1. Re. S.No.57/2 (Old.S.No.211), 88 R 00 Santhiyar, North eastern one part 02 R 21 Santhiyar or 2379 Sq.feet. 2. Re.S.No.50/9 (Old. S.No.209, 210 part, 212), Patta No.400, 44 R 00 Santhiyar in which eastern side one part 19 R 23 Santhiyar or 20699 Sq.feet. 3. Re.S.No.50/7 (Old S.No.210Part), 00 R 50 Santhiynar or 538 Sq feet 4. Re S.No 50/6 Old S.No.208), Patta No.229, 06 R 50 Santhiyar or 6997 Sq feet. 5. Re.S.No. 50/8 (Old S.No.213), 38 R 00 Santhiyar eastern side one part 07 R 87 Santhiyar or 8471 Sq feet. Boundaries: to the West of 6.10 mtr feet wide common pathai, to the East of Annamalai Nagar Lay out plot, to the South of Kumaran Nagar lay out plot and to the North of 4.60 mtr feet wide common pathai. Within the boundaries: East to west on the northern side 16.90 mtr, on the southern side 18.30 mtr, South to north on the eastern side 16.90 mtr, on the western side 18.30 mtr, southeastern side slanting side 02.00 mtr,. Total Sq. feet 3600 including RCC house with ground floor and first floor situate in it.	04/02/2023/ Rs. 62,86,358/-	06/12/ 2022

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower/s and/or their guarantors (as applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice else further steps will be taken as per the provisions of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date : April 12, 2023
Place : Bangalore

Authorized Officer
ICICI Bank Limited

WESTERN RAILWAY

DISPLAY OF ADVERTISEMENT THROUGH VARIOUS NFR MEDIA OVER MUMBAI DIVISION

Divisional Railway Manager, Commercial Department, NFR Section, Mumbai Central, Mumbai - 400 008 invites e-Auction for Display of Advertisement through various NFR media over Mumbai Division :

Auction catalogue No.	Auction Start (All Lots)
MMCT-ADVT-23-8	15:00 hrs. 26.04.2023

Sr. No	Lot No.	Location / Area	Days	Close Date & time of e-Auction
1.	ADVT-BCT-MDD-OSN- 301-23-1	Bulk Advertising Rights at **Malad (MDD) Station** on pillars of escalators and staircases landings for a period of **Three years** through display boards.	1096	26/04/2023 15:30
2.	ADVT-BCT-MX-OSN- 297-23-1	Bulk Advertising Rights at **Mahalakshmi (MX) Station** on pillars of escalators and staircases landings for a period of **Three years** through display boards.	1096	26/04/2023 15:40
3.	ADVT-BCT-PBHD-OSN- 299-23-1	Bulk Advertising Rights at **Prabhadevi (PBHD) Station** on pillars of escalators and staircases landings for a period of **Three years** through display boards.	1096	26/04/2023 15:50
4.	ADVT-BCT-PL-OSN- 298-23-1	Bulk Advertising Rights at **Lower Parel (PL) Station** on pillars of escalators and staircases landings for a period of **Three years** through display boards.	1096	26/04/2023 16:00
5.	ADVT-BCT-STC-OSN- 300-23-1	Bulk Advertising Rights at **Santacruz (STC) Station** on pillars of escalators and staircases landings for a period of **Three years** through display boards.	1096	26/04/2023 16.10

Note : Prospective bidders are requested to visit e-Auction leasing module on IREPS website (**www.ireps.gov.in**). The lost wise details are available there in under the mentioned catalogue. 0029

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E - AUCTION SALE NOTICE

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES "APPENDIX-IV-A [See proviso to Rule 8 (6)]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002. Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable properties Mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of **Bank of India,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** for recovery of below mentioned amount/s. The details of Borrower/s/ Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date, Time & EMD amount are mentioned below.

Sl No	NAME & ADDRESS OF BORROWER/S / GUARANTOR/S/ MORTGAGOR (S)	DESCRIPTION OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY WITH KNOWN ENCUMBERANCES	BRANCH NAME; ACCOUNT NO; TOTAL DUES	DATE & TIME OF E-AUCTION	RESERVE PRICE; EMD AMOUNT;	STATUS OF POSSESSION (SYMBOLIC/ PHYSICAL)	PROPERTY INSPECTION DATE
1	**M/s. Sri Annapurna Catering,** No.4,27/1, Yarandahalli Hennagara Post, Kiadb 4th Phase, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-562106. **(Partners & Guarantors)** **1. Mr. Chandrashekar Shetty** S/o Mahabal Shetty No.4,27/1, Yarandahalli Hennagara Post, Kiadb 4th Phase, Jigani Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore-562106. **2.Mr. Kariyappa K M** S/o Manjappa, No.57, 1st Floor, 3rd Main, Nagarbhavi, Hanumagiri Layout, Bangalore-560072. **3.Mr. Pradeep R** S/o Rangappa, No.57, 1st Floor, 3rd Main, Nagarbhavi, Hanumagiri Layout, Bangalore-560072.	**SCHEDULE 'A' PROPERTY:** All that piece and parcel of the Residentially converted land bearing survey no.31/2 situated at Nimbekayipura Village, Bidrahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk (earlier Hoskote Taluk), Bangalore District measuring 01 Acre 35 Guntas out of 05 Acres 13 Guntas excluding 07 Guntas of Kharab land (conversion of agricultural to non-agricultural residential purposes sanctioned by the Special Deputy Commissioner vide Official memorandum dated 21.01.2011, No. ALN.SR(EBK)49/2010-11) and bounded as follows:East by : Land bearing Survey No.31/1, West by : Road, North by : Remaining portion of Survey No.31/2, South by : Land bearing Survey Nos.28,29 and 30. **SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY:** All that piece and parcel of the Residential immovable property being a Residential Villa / Row House bearing E-Khata No.119/129/115/125/31/2/1, RDPR No.150200401601400114 [Unit no.01,4 BHK] situated at Nimbekayipura village, Manduru Gram Panchayat, Bidrahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk, Bangalore District, Bangalore – 560 049 in the Residential Project comprising of Row Houses known as "SAMRUDHI MYSTIC WIND" with 926.0793 square feet of plinth area, with 597.4397 square feet of exclusive right to use the garden area and 450.2533 square feet of proportionate undivided land area (common areas) together with the building thereon, comprising of ground and two upper floors of super built-up area of 2900 square feet (inclusive of common wall between two residential units as may be applicable and proportionate share in super built up area of the club house facility with exclusive use of garden area) comprised in residentially converted land bearing Sy.No.31/2 measuring 01 Acre 35 guntas out of 05 Acres 13 guntas excluding 07 Guntas of Kharab land at Nimbekayipura village, Bidrahalli Hobli, Bangalore East Taluk(earlier Hoskote Taluk), Bangalore District Bangalore – 560049 presently within the revenue administrative jurisdiction of the Manduru Grama Panchayat and land area of the row house owned by M/s Annapurna Catering, a partnership Firm represented by it's partners Mr. Chandrashekar Shetty, Mr. Pradeepa R and Mr. Kariyappa K M measuring as below:- East to West : 7.62 meters, North to South : 17.46 meters, Total land area : 135.02 square meters, Building measuring : 269.41 square meters. And bounded as follows: East by : Plot / Unit No.02, West by : Compound wall / road, North by : Compound wall, South by : Drive way.	**BRANCH : KOTHANUR** **A/C No: 845875110000006 for recovery of Rs.1,88,20,820.10 +interest @ 7.55% p.a. from 01.04.2021 and A/C No. 845860210000004 for recovery of Rs. 10,22,180.44 +interest @ 8.15% p.a. with monthly rests from 01-04-2021 and costs, charges due to BANK OF INDIA,**	**28.04.2023 & 11.00 Am to 05.00 Pm**	**Reserve price: Rs.1,16,00,000/- EMD: Rs.11,60,000/-**	**Physical**	**From 13.04.2023 to 26.04.2023 between 10.00 Am to 4.00 Pm Contact:AO Mobile. No. 08107771036 080-28443088/ 99**
2.	**Mr. Kalairaj M (Borrower)** Flat No 202, First Floor, V S Vaishnavi Heavens, Muncipal No.2530, 14th Main, Kumaraswamy Layout IInd Stage, Bangalore-560055.	**Schedule – I : (Details of the Immovable Property wherein mortgaged property is situated) :** All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Residential building bearing BDA Site No.2530, formed by the Bangalore Development Authority at Kumaraswamy Layout II Stage, Bangalore, presently bearing Municipal No. 2530, New PID No. 181-W0266-10 (Old PID No. 55-356-2530), situated at Kumaraswamy Layout, 2nd Stage, Bangalore, BBMP Ward No.55 of Padmanabhanagar, Bangalore, measuring East to West (12.20+17.30)/2 Meters and North to South 18.00 Meters, admeasuring 265.50 Sq. Mtrs. The Boundaries of the Property: East by : Property bearing No. 2529, West by - C.A. Area, North by - Property bearing No. 2542 & 2541, South by - Road. **Schedule – II : (Details of the Mortgaged Property) :** All that piece and parcel of Flat bearing No.202, situated at First Floor of the "V. S. VAISHANAVI HEAVENS" Apartment, situated at Kumaraswamy Layout, 2nd Stage, Bangalore, BBMP Ward No.55 of the Padmanabhanagar, Bangalore. Measuring 1425 Sq.Ft. of super built up area, consisting of Three Bedrooms, One Hall, Kitchen, together with one covered car parking space in stilt floor. The Flat bearing No.202 is owned by Mr. Kalairaj M. The Boundaries of the Property: East by - Common Passage, West by - Set Back, North by - Staircase & Flat No.201, South by - Set Back & Road. **Schedule – III :** 285.6 Sq.Ft. of undivided right, title and interest in the immovable property.	**BRANCH : RPC LAYOUT** **for recovery of Rs.59,34,777/- (Rupees Fifty Nine Lakhs Thirty Four Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy Seven) for A/c No.842375110000240, with further interest @ 9.55% p.a. with monthly rests from 01-04-2021, with all costs and other charges due to BANK OF INDIA, RPC Layout Branch**	**28.04.2023 & 11.00 Am to 05.00 Pm**	**Reserve price: Rs.59,34,000/- EMD: Rs.5,93,400/-**	**Symbolic**	**From 13.04.2023 to 26.04.2023 between 10.00 Am to 4.00 Pm Contact:AO 080-22959516/ 517 Mobile No. 08985355531**
3.	**1.Mr. Prashanth Kumar K (Borrower)** No.20, 2nd Floor, Hari Kiran, Apartment, 6th Main Road, 6th Cross, Banashankari, Bengaluru-560078 **2.M/s Frequency Productions (Prop-Mr. Prashanth Kumar K),** No.28, 2nd 'A' Cross, Kathriguppe, Main Road, Srinivasa Nagar, BSK 2nd Stage, Bangalore-560085.	All that piece and parcel of the Immovable Property comprised of two adjacent portions i.e. First Portion consisting of Old House constructed on the Site measuring East to West 12 Feet and North to South 65 Feet and Second Portion of the same Site consisting of House constructed on the Site measuring East to West 47 Feet 6 Inches and North to South 32 Feet, the building totally measuring about 1800 Square Feet, built on and including the Site on which it is built, with both the portion in all measuring 2303.20 Square Feet(As per deed) & 2248 Sqft(As per actual), being western part of earlier property bearing Khaneshmari No.94/1, Byatarayanapura Village, Bangalore, now bearing common New Municipal No.1/8, BBMP PID No.41-2-1/8, situated on Mysore Road 'A' Cross, Byatarayanapura, Bengaluru, coming within the limits of Ward No. 41, Gali Anjaneya Temple of BBMP, together with all Civic Amenities. The property is owned by Mr. Prashanth Kumar K. The Boundaries of the Property: East by - Way to Ashram, West by - Drainage and thereafter Private Property, North by - Property belongs to Varadappa and Jayaram, South by - Property belongs to Varadappa.	**BRANCH: VV PURAM** **A/C No: 840275110000342 & 840230110000132 for recovery of Rs.87,47,267.77 (Eighty Seven Lakhs Forty Seven Thousand Two Hundred Sixty Seven and Paisa Seventy Seven) with further int @ 7.45% p.a. for Housing Loan and Rs.5,74,407.65 (Five Lakhs Seventy Four Thousand Four Hundred Seven and Paisa Sixty Five) with further int @ 9.55% p.a. for Cash Credit Facility. Totalling to Rs.93,21,675.42 with monthly rest from 30-05-2022 and costs, charges due to BANK OF INDIA, VV Puram Branch**	**28.04.2023 & 11.00 Am to 05.00 Pm**	**Reserve price: Rs.1,21,00,000/- EMD: Rs.12,10,000/-**	**Symbolic**	**From 13.04.2023 to 26.04.2023 between 10.00 Am to 4.00 Pm Contact:AO Mobile No. 09845479330 Mobile No. 09710118218 080-22959523 080-22959524**
4.	**Mr. P Ramesh (Borrower)** Add-1: No. 72, Basement, 27th Cross, 8th C Main, Bangalore-560011 **Add-2:** No.7, 7th Cross, 1st Floor, Om Shanthi Nagar, Jp Nagar, 7th Phase, Chunchgatta Road, Bengaluru-560078	All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property bearing Municipal No. 1454, New Municipal No. 32(Old No.1454), having PID No. 58-41-32, situated at 37th H Cross Road, 4th T Block, Jayanagar, within the limits of BBMP, Bangalore. Measuring East to West 20 Feet and North to South 20 Feet 6 Inches, admeasuring 410 Sq.Ft., owned by Mr. P Ramesh. The Boundaries of the Property: East by : Site No.1453, West by : Site No.1455, North by : Road, South by : Site No.1463.	**BRANCH: BTM LAYOUT** **A/C No: 895375110000019 for recovery of Rs.57,04,043.64 (Rupees Fifty Seven Lakhs Four Thousand Forty Three and Paise Sixty Four) with further interest @7.25% p.a. from 30-06-2022 compounded with monthly rests and costs and other charges due to BANK OF INDIA, BTM Layout Branch**	**28.04.2023 & 11.00 Am to 05.00 Pm**	**Reserve price: Rs.62,00,000/- EMD: Rs.6,20,000/-**	**Symbolic**	**From 13.04.2023 to 26.04.2023 between 10.00 Am to 4.00 Pm Contact: AO Mobile No. 09759369811**

To the best knowledge and information available with the Authorized Officer, there is no encumbrance on the properties referred above. However, the intending bidders should make their own independent inquiries regarding the encumbrances, title of the property and to inspect & satisfy them. The auction will be online E-Auction Sale/Bidding and shall be done only through "Online Electronic Bidding" process through the website **https://www.boi.auctiontiger.net.** For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in **https://www.bankofindia.co.in/tenders. Date & Time of E-auction: 28-04-2023 between 11.00 Am & 5.00 Pm** (with unlimited extension of 10 minutes if bidding continues till sale is concluded).

Date: 11.04.2023, Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer, Bank of India

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DAY'S DIARY

First man in space

In 1961, aboard the spacecraft Vostok 1, Soviet cosmonaut Yuri Alekseyevich Gagarin became the first human being to travel into space

FEAT ACCOMPLISHED

During the flight, the 27-year-old test pilot and industrial technician also became the first man to orbit the planet, a feat accomplished by his space capsule in 89 minutes

MESSAGE RECEIVED

Vostok 1 orbited Earth at an altitude of 187 miles. The only statement attributed to Gagarin was, "Flight is proceeding normally; I am well."

The Huntsville Times
Man Enters Space
To Close Yet So Far Sights Cape
Soviet Officer Orbits Globe In 5-Ton Ship

INSTANT FAME

He was awarded the Order of Lenin and given the titles of Hero of the Soviet Union and Pilot Cosmonaut of the Soviet Union

Check out what's happening in the city

PG 2

1.2.3.4...Get on the dance floor

Bengalureans can look forward to an energetic weekend with several upcoming events promising to bring back the funky beats and groovy moves of the disco era

ASLAM GAFOOR

(The writer is a Bengaluru-based hospitality professional, food lover, and travel enthusiast)

IN a city known for its vibrant nightlife, music lovers in namma Bengaluru are in for a treat as several upcoming events promise to bring the funky beats and groovy moves of the disco era back to the dance floor.

Friday's Disco Edition celebration at Record Room, the city's first vinyl bar, will replicate the glitzy aura of the 1970s on the dance floor. This event will take you back in time with the resident DJ spinning classic disco hits on vinyl, complete with the nostalgic pops and clicks of analogue music. The dedicated night promises to be a treat for disco fans, and it takes place every Friday 8pm onwards.

Coming up next on the list is a unique event that combines roller skating with disco music – the Roller Disco, in partnership with Bengaluru Skaters, will be held at Hard Rock Cafe this Sunday. Participants can groove to a blend of retro and classical disco music from the 1970s while spinning around a pop-up roller skating rink beneath sparkling disco lights. To complete the experience, a specially curated menu featuring classic American cuisine, refreshing cocktails, and beers will also be on offer during the evening. This one-of-a-kind event will take place on April 16, from 6pm to 10.30pm.

On Sunday, Focus Group Radio will host a music exploration event at Koramangala SOCIAL, featuring the sounds of African and migrant communities over the last five decades. The evening will kick off with old jazz and funk records from Ethiopia, Nigeria, Senegal, Ghana, and Cameroon, gradually transitioning to Afro disco and contemporary electronic music. The event will commence at 4 pm on April 16 and tickets are available on insider.in.

Also, mark your calendars for the inaugural edition of Bars From Far, a two-day event organised by Greater Than Gin at WeWork Galaxy. The participating bars and bartenders from across the country include PCO Mumbai, Americano Mumbai, Cock and Bull Hyderabad, Native Cocktail Room Jaipur, Olterra Kolkata, Cobbler and Crew Pune, and Hideaway Goa. In addition, Burgerama, Klaa Kitchen, and Buco will offer an array of delicious food options, while the artist lineup includes a2theliya, Ron.E, Alina, Synths Back, Deep Brown, and a Daft Punk tribute by BassicBoy and Navendu. The event takes place on April 14 and 15, from 5pm to 11pm, and tickets are available on insider.in.

Koramangala SOCIAL

Kriti Kharbanda

DID YOU KNOW?

The Pole dance that is being practiced today is a fusion of the Chinese pole, Indian pole (Mallakhamb), another circus-based exotic dance of various international influences.

Pole dance is often sexualised because of its western origins where circuses used sticks and women would dance seductively on top of them to attract customers. It then became a popular way to make a profit among clubs and bars.

Various committees are working on 'Pole Sports' being recognised globally as a sport and the eventual inclusion into mainstream sports events and the Olympic Games.

After gaining popularity across the world, Pole dance has now come to Bengaluru with dance schools introducing classes

HANGING IN THERE

ASTHA Gulati (36) has been running her dance studio Dhurii in Domlur for the past six years. In recent times, the enquiries for lessons on Pole dance have multiplied. This is why Gulati finally introduced a Pole dance session in November 2022. The news spread like wildfire, and according to Gulati, it is one of the fastest-filling sessions in her studio. "Pole dance is fairly nascent with not too many places offering classes at the moment. So I thought it was the right time to start," says Gulati, who is doing a beginners certification.

The demand has been so high that Gulati, who has just one pole installed in her studio, is planning to expand. "We are right now conducting private and semi-private classes. But from May, we will be adding two more poles," she adds. Brijesh Yadav, who runs a dance studio called New York Dance Classes on Bannerghatta Road, is going to introduce the classes on Pole dance this weekend. "My training has been mostly in New Delhi and Pune and in my dance studio, we specialise in hip-hop, street, and Bollywood. But with queries on Pole dance, I saw potential. So I've extended it as a dance and fitness form," he shares, adding, "Group classes start at ₹7,500 for 12 sessions a month, while private lessons cost ₹15,000 for 12 sessions."

Due to the lack of places and instructors in the city, many even take it upon themselves to practice the form at home. For example, Neeraja Subramanian got interested in Pole dancing during the lockdown, inspired by Chennai-based Pole dancer Anusha Swamy. "A little over a year ago, I started hunting for Pole dance classes in Bengaluru but it was difficult to find instructors. Last year I was in Pune and learnt from Pole dancer Nupur Choudhary. When I returned to Bengaluru, I decided to install a Pole in my house and practice," says Subramanian, a product marketing manager, who has been in Bengaluru on and off since 2013.

Recalling the first time Subramanian tried out Pole, she reveals it was a little 'disappointing because it was extremely challenging'. "Pole not just increased my physical awareness but also helped in being in the moment," she emphasises.

Even if not for fitness, many took to Pole dancing as an extension of their passion for dance. For example, Juhi Kamlesh Baldev got to know about Pole dance classes in Bengaluru through an Instagram reel. "I've always been a passionate dancer and wanted to take it forward... but was confused about how to take it forward. I was keen on being a part of the Pole dance and I love my experience," says Baldev.

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Astha Gulati, founder, Dhurii dance studio

KNOW YOUR CITY

Arun Prasad, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture.

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY

Send answers to
bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com
with the subject line **'Know Your City Quiz'**

Correct answers and names of first three respondents with right answers will be featured in *CE*.

1. Prof. MS Nanjunda Rao, a visionary pioneer in the Karnataka art movement, fondly called 'Meshtru', had a deep interest in native and traditional art forms of Karnataka. With his lifelong passion for leather puppetry, Rao painstakingly researched and collected a wide range of leather puppets from artistes and performers from across Karnataka and Andhra Pradesh. With his decades-long journey, he amassed an admirable collection which he donated to a premier art institution founded by Rao himself in Bengaluru. Name the art institute.

2. Inspired by the flowering trees of Bengaluru, renowned painter Rumale Channabasavaiah captured the essence of the city's landscape. Rumale, in his signature style – bold, thick impasto brush strokes on large-size canvases – earned him the title 'Van Gogh of India'. Rumale's paintings have inspired many artists and writers, including VK Gokak who called him the 'painter laureate of the trees of Bengaluru'. Name the well-known book on the flowering trees of Bengaluru written by TP Issar which highlights many of Rumale's paintings.

3. K Venkatappa, a pioneer painter and sculptor, who was trained under renowned painter Abanindranath Tagore, nephew of Rabindranath Tagore, is well-known for his watercolour works on the landscapes of Ooty. In the late 1920s, Venkatappa was commissioned by the Maharaja of Mysore, Krishnarajendra Wodeyar to decorate the Mysore Palace with his artworks. After his passing in 1965, an art gallery was proposed by the then Karnataka government and was opened in 1975 and was named after the renowned painter. On which road in the city is Venkatappa Art Gallery located?

CITY READ

Finale Of Aditya Habba 2023 held

The finale of the weeklong celebration, 'ADITYA HABBA 2K23' of Aditya Group of Institutions was held recently. Actor Pooja Gandhi and Soundarya Gowda, international beauty pageant winner, were the chief guests of the event. While delivering the address, Gandhi talked about students' performances. The celebration was followed by a music concert. Dr B A Vishwanath, chairman, Aditya Group of Institutions, and Dr Priya Vishwanath, vice-chairman, Suryakumari, trustee, Aditya Group of Institutions presided over the function.

A whodunit-turned-socio-thriller, this play is about biased and awry opinions made when one person is going through a horrifying incident

MORE THAN A MURDER MYSTERY

EXPRESS FEATURES

THE peaceful mood of a small town set in the foothills of Madikeri is interrupted when Divya finds her husband Kiran mysteriously dead at their home. As the police try to find out the actual culprit, the case is escalated with various theories like love triangles being spun. As the story goes forward, the relationship between the husband and wife and various other characters surface.

This is the surface-level story of the play *Skewed*, which is going to be staged at Alliance Française on April 16. The 90-minute English play is Fourth Wall Theatre's maiden production and is written by Gayathri Narayan, Mahesh SP, Vilok V Kowsik, and Arvindh S Kumar, with music by Abhimanyu Bhupathi.

Kowsik, one of the writers of the play, says the story had its initial inspiration from Roald Dahl's *Lamb to the Slaughter*. "We went through many versions of the script. The first draft was inspired by Roald Dahl's *Lamb to the Slaughter*. But then subsequently, as when we spoke with the director, the story kept on building, the story didn't have anything from *Lamb to the Slaughter*. And it's just that we have created a different story with the same set of characters which I used for those first versions," recalls Kowsik, who plays the role of Kiran, the police inspector.

Starting off as a classic whodunit, the play slowly added elements of feminism into it. It is anything but a story scripted in black and white. "It's a realistic play and the reason we've called it *Skewed* is because of the way people look at a situation," explains Kowsik, adding that more importance has been given to two female characters. It's a thriller, and with a social message.

The play follows a linear narrative, with a few scenes interspersed with realism. Complementing the theme of the story, the costumes are all in pastel shades, and the set design is minimalistic. The light design has been kept very intimate, setting the mood with elements of Indian and western classical music.

(Skewed will be staged at Alliance Française, Vasanth Nagar on April 16).

Stills from the play

XPRESS FOCUS

Ramaiah To Inaugurate City's First Foot & Ankle Clinic

Bengaluru's first Comprehensive Foot and Ankle Care (CoFAC) clinic will be inaugurated today at Ramaiah Memorial Hospital. Believing in a strong physician-patient relationship based on personalised attention, the new clinic will comprehensively evaluate, taking into account all unique needs, goals, personal preferences and lifestyle to develop a customised treatment plan.

"The human foot is a masterpiece of engineering and a work of art," said Dr Ajoy S M, who has more than 20 years of experience in treatment of foot and ankle orthopaedic conditions. According to him, everyday, the average person utilises this structure to walk around 8,000 to 10,000 steps. "Uneven terrain and rigorous movements performed in sports, exercise, and regular daily movement gives us some insight as to why this part of the body is the most common site of injuries. When a foot and ankle condition arises, it can have a tremendous impact on the quality of life," he mentioned.

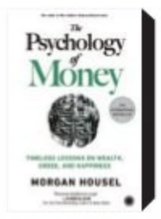
At CoFAC, a foot and ankle specialist will examine and diagnose an assortment of foot injuries and diseases to plan a treatment for a patient. "Whether it's a new-born with congenital foot issues or an athlete, it is our goal to restore you to your highest possible functioning. We provide exceptional continuum of care for your foot and ankle condition — from diagnosis to treatment, all the way through rehabilitation and aftercare," said Shravan Y C, who has over 10 years of experience in management of paediatric foot and ankle orthopaedic conditions.

RAMAIAH Memorial Hospital

FOOT AND ANKLE DOCTORS TREAT A MYRIAD OF PROBLEMS INCLUDING:

- Congenital disorders like clubfoot, rocker-bottom foot, toe walking
- Developmental conditions like Flatfoot, Hallux Valgus(Bunions)
- Foot & Ankle fractures
- Arthroscopic management of Sports injuries and instability
- Chronic foot & Ankle pain like Metatarsalgia, Morton's, Plantar fascitis
- Comprehensive Diabetic foot management
- Malunited, neglected injuries and post-traumatic deformities
- Ankle Joint Replacement, Cartilage injuries and Arthritis management

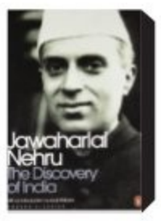
BOOK NOOK



Psychology Of Money

By Morgan Housel

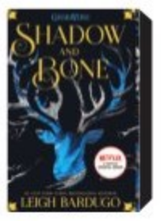
Psychology of Money examines how money circulates in an economy, how biases in our thinking and emotions affect our financial choices, and how to approach financial decisions more logically and effectively



The Discovery of India

By Jawaharlal Nehru

The book offers a comprehensive overview of Indian history, philosophy, and culture as seen through the perspective of an Indian fighting for his nation's independence.



Shadow And Bone

By Leigh Bardugo

Alina Starkov, a teenage orphan who grows up in the Russia-inspired land of Ravka, tells the story as the book's narrator. When she unknowingly uses a power to save her childhood best friend, she unwittingly makes herself a target for treachery and violence.

Night School

By Lee Child

Reacher is transported back to his army days by Night School, however he is not wearing a uniform this time. In a supercharged, wickedly cunning new adventure that will send shivers down your spine, he must carry the fate of the world on his shoulders with dependable sergeant Frances Neagley by his side.

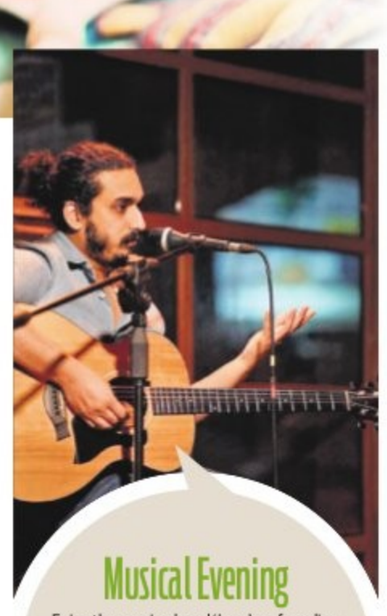
WHAT WHEN WHY WHERE

Constructive kids

Explore with Troy is a workshop for kids above three years of age where they get to learn architecture under different themes through building blocks.
WHERE: Troy Block Center, Indiranagar
WHEN: April 13, 11am
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Binge Eating

Celebrate this IPL season with a brand new menu which includes googly garlic bread, hat-trick hummus platter, super over haleem samosa, prawn dumpling, mango masterstroke shrikhand gateaux and much more.
WHERE: Raahi Neo Kitchen & Bar, Ashok Nagar **WHEN:** April 12, 12pm
CALL: 9620347095



Musical Evening

Enjoy the evening band 'Iram' perform live. Watch Eric Gerald, Rohit Samuel and Neil Simon Abel in action.
WHERE: The Raft, Koramangala
WHEN: April 15, 8pm
CALL: 9590913479

Fill your evening with laughter while savouring delicious food and beverages with this live stand-up comedy by Comedy Shots.
WHERE: Bistro Claytopia, Koramangala
WHEN: April 13, 8pm **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

Dance Journey

Nartan Yatra is an evening of Sattriya recital by Sridevi Jagannath and Rohini Ananth in memory of Late Karnataka Kalashree Ranganayaki Rajan.
WHERE: Seva Sadan, Malleshwaram
WHEN: April 28, 6pm
CALL: 08023347830

TIMELESS TRADITION

Rehmat-e-Nusrat brings an evening filled with Sufi music, Qawwalis, and Ghazals performed by young musicians. **WHERE:** Windmills Craftworks, Whitefield
WHEN: April 14, 9.30pm **DETAILS:** windmills-india.com

HUES OF LIFE

Visitors explore artworks displayed at the ongoing group art exhibition 'Metaphorical Language' at Art Houz, Vasanth Nagar | VINOD KUMAR

QUICK FIX

AMARANTH AND PEAS VADA & WHITE PEA SALAD

Contributed by **Chef Tarun Sibal,** Goa

INGREDIENTS

- **Amaranth seeds:** 1 cup
- **Peas:** 1/2 cup, fresh or frozen
- **Cumin seeds:** 1 tsp
- **Coriander leaves:** 1/2 cup
- **Boiled white peas:** 1 cup
- **Green chillies:** 2, or as per preference of heat
- **Ghee or any oil that has high smoking point:** 2 tbsp
- **Kachumber (onions, tomatoes, chillies, with chaat masala and lemon):** 1/2 cup
- **Water:** 2 cups
- **Large potato:** 1, boiled
- **Salt and pepper to taste**
- **Walnuts:** 1/4 cup
- **Melted butter:** 1 tbsp

METHOD

- Bring the vegetable stock to a boil and add the amaranth and peas. Salt the stock if it is not already seasoned. Cover and cook for 20 minutes or until the water is absorbed.
- In a food processor, roughly pulse the coriander leaves, walnuts and green chillies.
- You don't want to make a paste. Just hand chop them if you so choose. Mix it with the amaranth, peas and potatoes.
- Add salt, pepper and cumin seeds. Roll into equal size balls and slightly flatten them.
- Heat the ghee until it's very hot and add the fritter to the pan. Let it sizzle and crisp up on one side, and then flip them over. They take about a minute on each side.
- Mix the warm white peas with kachumber, add the butter.
- Serve together.

What's cooking in your kitchen?

We are hungry for recipes with minimum ingredients and maximum flavours. Share your quick-fix with us, along with step-by-step photos, at bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com

FIT BIT

PARIVRTTA SUKHASANA VARIATION

(REVOLVED EASY POSE VARIATION)

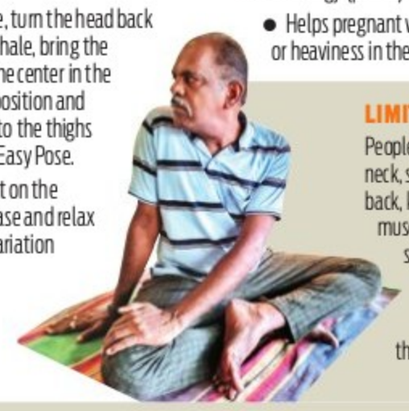
An easy twisting in Sukhasana that opens the back and chest, with the support from the psoas muscles. It can help relax the head, neck, shoulders, and back for those who spend time seated at their desk, who play sports, or have wrong posture.

STEPS

- Sit in Sukhasana, shoulders back, chest open, palms resting on the knees, and chin slightly in.
- Soften the face and stay here for a few easy breaths, finding the straight line with the back erect and natural lift in the heart.
- Begin to twist on your right, inhale, draw the navel to your spine, placing the left palm on the right knee.
- Now, swing the right arm back to place the palm or fingertips on the floor behind the back with fingers pointing outwards. Exhale, turn and twist the torso to the right along with the neck to look back.
- With every exhalation raise the spine and twist as much as possible from your upper body to feel the 'squeeze and soak' action in your lower abdomen. Stay here for 5 deep breaths.
- To release, inhale, turn the head back to the centre, exhale, bring the upper body to the center in the normal sitting position and arms back over to the thighs or knees, in the Easy Pose.
- Counter the twist on the other side. Release and relax in Sukhasana Variation Arms Knees.
- Can perform in Vajrasana or on the chair.

BENEFITS

- Stretches hips, knees, spine, shoulders and chest. Aligns upper body with the lower body.
- Strengthens shoulder blades, side abdominal muscles and middle/lower back.
- Helps prepare the spine, chest and arms for Thread The Needle Pose Flow.
- Improves the mobility of the spine, shoulders, neck, and flexibility of the waist and lower region of the body.
- Encourages efficient use of the intercostal muscles, supporting the lungs.
- Beneficial for symptoms related to asthma or any kind of allergies.
- Helps counteract effects of a hunched back.
- Encourages smooth and easy deep breaths to release stored tension.
- Activates the parasympathetic nervous system.
- Helpful for Pranayama or meditation sessions.
- Activates Muladhara (root) Chakra, ensuring flow of energy (prana).
- Helps pregnant women to reduce pain or heaviness in the back.



LIMITATIONS

People with injury in hips, neck, shoulders, spine, lower back, knees, pelvic floor muscles, or in abdomen, should avoid this.

Senior citizens can practise sitting on the chair.

By N Elumalai, PhD scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

NOW STREAMING

REGIONAL

MISSION MAJNU (Hindi)

Set in the 1970s, an undercover Indian agent undertakes a perilous mission to reveal a hidden nuclear weapons programme in Pakistan's core that threatens to destroy the free world.

Cast: Sidharth Malhotra, Rashmika Mandanna

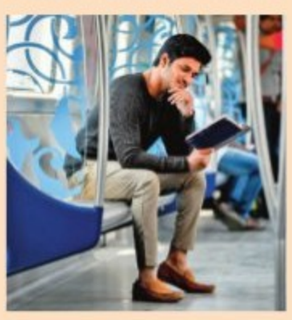
- **Watch on:** Netflix

GANDHADA GUDI (Kannada)

Puneeth Rajkumar collaborates with wildlife filmmaker Amoghavarsha to explore the wonders of his hometown in a captivating musical voyage.

Cast: Puneeth Rajkumar

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video



18 PAGES (Telugu)

When a heartbroken Siddhu comes upon a two-year-old diary, he is attracted into the mysterious world of a young woman named Nandini.

Cast: Anupama Parameswaran, Nikhil Siddhartha, Raj Tirandasu

- **Watch on:** Netflix

SPECIAL OPS (Hindi, series)

The basis for the story told through Himmat Singh's eyes came from 1984. In the recent two decades, India has undertaken multiple espionage missions and years of nationally significant events. As Himmat Singh leads a task force searching for the mastermind behind several terrorist attacks.

Cast: Kay Kay Menon, Karan Tacker

- **Watch on:** Disney+ Hotstar

All the streaming apps can be accessed on smartphones and smart TVs with Internet connection.

CHRISTY (Malayalam)

A teenage boy falls in love with an older woman, but despite their age gap, unforeseen developments cause problems.

Cast: Malavika Mohanan, Matthew Thomas

- **Watch on:** Sonyliv

VAATHI (Tamil)

A young man is having a difficult time fighting against the commercialisation of education.

Cast: Dhanush, Samyuktha Menon, Samuthirakani

- **Watch on:** Netflix

CIRKUS (Hindi)

Dr. Roy Jamnadas finds two pairs of identical twins on the doorstep of his orphanage and places them for adoption with two separate families in two different cities. Years later, when one set of twins decides to visit the city where the other set of twins owns a circus, a comedy of errors develops.

Cast: Ranveer Singh, Pooja Hegde, Jacqueline Fernandez

- **Watch on:** Netflix

FOREIGN

THE FABULOUS (South Korean, series)

Four closest friends pursue their aspirations alongside the fashion elite while juggling rigorous careers, romantic quandaries, and crazy nights out.

Cast: Choi Min-ho, Chae Soo-bin

- **Watch on:** Netflix

SAVING PRIVATE RYAN (English)

During World War II's Normandy invasion, Captain John Miller is tasked with hunting for Private James Ryan, whose three brothers have already been killed in the battle.

Cast: Tom Hanks, Matt Damon

- **Watch on:** Amazon Prime Video

DAREDEVIL (English, Series)

Matt Murdock overcomes the difficulties he has faced as a result of his blindness since childhood and battles criminals as a lawyer and Daredevil.

Cast: Charlie Cox, Deborah Ann Woll, Vincent D'Onofrio

- **Watch on:** Disney+ Hotstar

TUNE IN FOR LOVE (South Korean)

During the 1990s, hardworking Mi Soo and optimistic Hyun Woo meet at a bakery and fall in love while exchanging stories on a radio station, but the timing never seems to work out.

Cast: Kim Go-eun, Jung Hae-in

- **Watch on:** Netflix

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Netflix:	₹ 149 per month

DOCTOR WHO HEALED THYSELF

Not wanting to take medicines lifelong after being diagnosed with diabetes, this nuclear medicine specialist worked on reversing her condition – all of which she chronicles in her latest book

DESE GOWDA

I interact with endocrinologists often and almost all of them gave me the same prescription and the same doses. When I looked up the side effects, they were not pleasant. So I started to look for other options and disease reversal concept caught my attention. As it turns out, so much can be done through Lifestyle Medicine to alleviate chronic diseases.

Dr Mythri Shankar, medical practitioner

Over the last half-century, India has made much progress with its health system, tackling seemingly insurmountable challenges with success. From the drive to inoculate the entirety of the population against some of the most dangerous diseases like polio and more recently against Covid-19, to improving the rates of infant mortality...all of these have contributed to an unprecedented improvement in the citizens' average lifespans.

Yet, the country still faces a tough challenge when it comes to chronic diseases, such as cardiovascular diseases, cancers, chronic respiratory diseases, and diabetes. With increasing urbanisation, risk factors for such diseases are likely to worsen much further. Currently, around 9 per cent of the country's population has been diagnosed with diabetes. City-based medical practitioner **Dr Mythri Shankar** is one of them.

But unlike most people diagnosed with diabetes, Shankar, who has over 25 years of experience as an MD in nuclear medicine, chose a radical approach to combat her disease. In a recent book titled *Ease: How to lose weight, heal, prevent, and reverse disease*, she chronicles her journey and hopes that it can serve as a companion to others diagnosed with chronic diseases.

An unwillingness to take medications with unpleasant side effects for the rest of her life is what led her on that journey. "When I researched a bit more, I discovered a board-certified MD programme called Lifestyle Medicine, which looks at an alternate approach to treating chronic diseases," she shares adding, "As it turns out, so much can be done through Lifestyle Medicine to alleviate chronic diseases, even though much of it isn't practised in mainstream medicine. Some of the adverse lifestyle choices we make in our 20s and 30s tend to accumulate and turn into chronic diseases later in life."

While focusing on healthier choices early on can greatly reduce the risk of chronic diseases, Shankar stresses that choices one make post diagnosis can also help them effectively combat chronic diseases. "Healthy lifestyle choices can help bring down certain parameters back to normal, essentially reversing the damage," she shares. "When I was diagnosed, my haemoglobin levels were at 7.8, which is really high, and the consensus is, at that rate, you need to take medication. But I managed to bring it down to 5.5 without medications, solely through changes to my lifestyle. Some of the doctors were astonished at my progress and were curious to know how I achieved it. Having to explain to each of them became quite repetitive. That's what prompted me to write this book."

Furthermore, a lack of concise information based on proven research that can serve as an alternative to mainstream medicine was also a factor in Shankar's motivation behind writing the book. "There are many out there, who are trying to do the right thing, but with inadequate and often inaccurate information. So, I felt that somebody needs to put out the latest and the most accurate information for people to easily access," she concludes.

PIC: NAGARAJA GADEKAL

Slave Literature:
Probing the Dark Side of the US

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(The author is a technologist based in Silicon Valley who is gently mad about books)

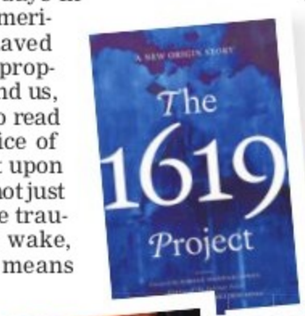
Alex Haley's Roots: The Saga Of An American Family, published in 1976, went on to win the Pulitzer Prize and the National Book Award. Although Haley was blamed for embellishing the truth (he admitted that it was 'faction' and not non-fiction) it created an extraordinary political, racial, social and cultural dialogue. The book remains one of the all-time classics of slave literature even today.

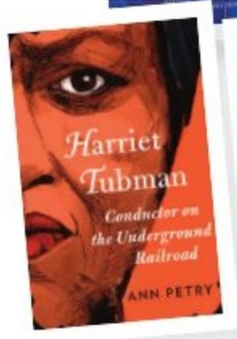
The institution of slavery marked America's landscape for more than 240 years. A nation that prides itself on the ideals of freedom and liberty, tolerated one of the most inhuman acts based on the colour of one's skin. While the days in which African Americans were enslaved and considered property is long behind us, it is important to read about the practice of slavery to reflect upon and understand not just its impact on the trauma it left in its wake, but also what it means to be human.

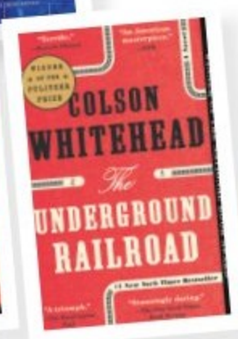
Here are some of my favourite narratives that give a complete picture of one of the darkest eras of American history. *Uncle Tom's Cabin* by Harriet Beecher Stowe, *12 Years a Slave* by Solomon Northup; *Up from Slavery* by Booker T Washington; *The Souls of Black Folk* by W.E.B. Du Bois; *Harriet Tubman* by Ann Petry; *1619 Project*; and *The Underground Railroad* are essential reading in this genre.

Uncle Tom's Cabin by Harriet Beecher Stowe published in 1852 had a profound effect on attitudes toward African Americans and slavery in the U.S., and is said to have "helped lay the groundwork for the American Civil War". The novel became the second best-selling book of the 19th century after *The Bible*, although the character 'Uncle Tom' gave rise to the term associated with an excessively subservient person.

Who better to explain the lasting scars of slavery than former slaves themselves? *Twelve Years a Slave* (the story that inspired the Oscar-winning movie) is an 1853 memoir by Solomon Northup. Northup was born free in New York State but was tricked into going to Washington, DC, where he was kidnapped and sold into slavery in the Deep South. He was in bondage for 12 years in Louisiana before he was able to secretly convey his whereabouts to friends and family in New York, who in turn secured his release with the aid of the state. Northup's account provides extensive details on the slave markets in Washington, DC and New Orleans, and life on major plantations in Louisiana.







Two pioneering African-Americans whose books are essential to understand race relations are W.E.B. Du Bois, the first black person to earn a Ph.D from Harvard University, and Booker T. Washington, the first leader of the Tuskegee Institute (now Tuskegee University), a historically black college in Alabama. While Du Bois advocated for civil rights and equality, Washington believed that African Americans should focus on building their own communities rather than fighting for political rights.

The Underground Railroad by Colson Whitehead is a Pulitzer-winning alternative-history novel published in 2016. The Underground Railroad was a term used for a clandestine network of people who helped slaves escape to Free States. The novel visualises a network of underground tracks and tunnels that lead to safe houses for the slaves.

The 1619 Project (named after the year 1619 when the first African slaves were brought to the United States) is a *New York Times Magazine* initiative. Through a series of essays, poems and photographs, the project tries to reframe the country's history by placing the consequences of slavery and the contributions of Black Americans at the centre of the national narrative.

It is an exceptional feature of the US that it lays itself open to honest probing of its past, however dark it may appear. And what better time to do so than now, when the race divisions are acute and there is an urgent need for healing!

NUGGETS

Discussion on *House Of The People*

House of the People: Parliament and the Making of Indian Democracy is a book written by Ronojoy Sen. It looks beyond Indian elections and focuses on the Lok Sabha. It examines the question: Is the Indian Parliament, which has the unenviable task of representing a diverse nation of a billion-plus people, working? Indian democracy transformed the institution of parliament, adopted from the British, and its functioning. Sen will be in conversation with Aparna Chandra and Rajeev Gowda at Bangalore International Centre, Domlur on April 14, 6pm.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Sri. Nataraj .S,** S/o. Someshwaraiah, Aged about 46 years, R/at No. 13, 1st Floor, 9th Main Road, 3rd Cross, Basavanapura Main Road, Manjunatha Layout, Krishnarajapuram, Bangalore - 560 036, do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter's name from **HASINI .N** to **HASINI .M. NATARAJ** vide affidavit dated 11.04.2023 sworn to before B.S. Padma Prasad, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RAJSHEKAR SHRIKANT SIDDANNAVAR**, S/o. Mr. Shrikant, Residing at No. D-1405, 14th Floor, Vaishnavi ARS Gardenia, S.M. Road, Jalahall Cross, T. Dasarahalli, Bengaluru - 560 057, Karnataka, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **RAJSHEKAR SIDDANNAVAR** to **RAJSHEKAR SHRIKANT SIDDANNAVAR** vide affidavit dated 11.4.2023 sworn to before M. Radhamma, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru Rural District.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **KATLAKANTI SUBHASH REDDY**, S/o. Katlakanti Sankar Reddy, Aged about 29 years, Residing Ponnetipalem, Madanapalle, Chittoor (DT), Andhra Pradesh - 517325, do hereby declare that, my name in my BIRTH CERTIFICATE has been entered as **KATLAKANTI SUBHASH REDDY** but in my Aadhar Card my name has been entered as **KATLAKANTI SUBHASH.** My correct name is **KATLAKANTI SUBHASH REDDY.** I hereby declare that both the names **KATLAKANTI SUBHASH REDDY** and **KATLAKANTI SUBHASH** are the one and same person i.e. my name only. Vide affidavit dated 25.03.2023 sworn to before B.M. Chandrashekar, Advocate & Notary Public, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **MOHAN** S/o Mr. Muniyappa, R/o No.292, Church Road, Nagarabhavi, Bangalore-560072, have changed my name (OLD NAME) from **HANUMANTHA** to **MOHAN**, vide Affidavit dated 5th April 2023 before Advocate and Notary **V. Shankar**, Bangalore.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

CHANGE OF NAME

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Dharam Pal**, Flat No. A-001, Adithi Padmashri Apartments, Near Ayappa Education Center, Mydrahall, Abbigere, Bengaluru-560090. I have changed my name from Dharam Pal (Old Name) to **DHARAM PAL SHARMA (New Name),** vide affidavit dated **08.04.2023,** sworn before advocate and notary **B.K.R.Krishnamurthy, Bangalore.**

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **PANDURANG ASHOK WATTAMWAR, S/o. Ashok Bhanudas Wattamwar, residing at: C-708, S V Signature, ITPL Main Road, 966 Rajpalya, Hoodi Circle, Hoodi, Mahadevapura. Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560048, have changed my name to PANDURANG ASHOKRAO WATTAMWAR,** Vide affidavit dated 10-04-2023 sworn before advocate & notary J. Anand Kumar, Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME

I PALLAVI daughter of Rajaram Bhat and wife Venugopal Balu resident of No.3-145 , Agrahara near Kashi Vishwanath Temple Chanthar Brahmavara, Udupi, Karnataka - 576213 have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as **PALLAVI VENUGOPAL** for all purposes. Vide Affidavit dated 11.04.2023 before Notary Chandrakala, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I hitherto known as VARALAKSHMI S Alias VARALAKSHMI SUBRAMANI Wife of Krishnamurthi Natarajan resident of No. 177/1, 2nd Cross, 6th Square Ssm Road , Murphy Town, Ulsoor, HAL II Stage , Bengaluru - 560008 have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as **VARALAKSHMI KRISHNAMURTHI** for all purposes. Vide Affidavit dated 11.04.2023 before Notary Chandrakala, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RAZIA PARVEEN MOHAMMED RAFI,** W/o Mohammed Rafi, Flat No. 302, GKN Paradise, 3rd Main, 3rd Cross, Malleshpalya, New Thippasandra Post, Bangalore-560 075 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **RAZIA PARVEEN MOHAMMED RAFI** to **RAZIA PARVEEN G**, henceforth I shall be known and called as **RAZIA PARVEEN G** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 11th April 2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **SREEDHARAN NAIR .P.N** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RIYAZAT,** W/o Mir Zakir Hussain, aged 60 years, R/at No. 51, G Floor, Muniswamy Garden, Neelasandra, Bengaluru-560047, have changed my name to **RIYAZATH BANU,** vide affidavit dated 10-04-2023 before Notary **GANGARAJU .B.N** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ADITYA ARVIND KAUSALE** S/o Arvind Gangadhar Kausale, aged about 19 years, R/at No. 6, 18th Cross, Kilari Road, Chikpete, Bengaluru-560053, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **ADITYA KAUSALE** to **ADITYA ARVIND KAUSALE,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **ADITYA ARVIND KAUSALE** only, vide affidavit dated 10-04-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **V. RANGARAMU** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Mr. VENKATESH MYLAVARAPU,** Aged about 42 years, Son of Late Seetharamaiah Mylavarapu, Residing at Flat No. 212, Sriven Exotica Apartment, MM Layout, Subash Nagar, Begur, Bangalore - 560 068, do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter's name from **LAKSHMI RAMA SARANYA MYLAVARAPU** to **SARANYA MYLAVARAPU** vide affidavit dated 10.04.2023 sworn to before B.M. Chandrashekar, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **HARIKRISHNA GADAGAMMA,** Residing at No. 314, Phase-1, Vaastu Lavender, Mylasandra, Bengaluru-560059, have changed my father's name from **PRASADA RAO GADAGAMMA** to **PRASAD RAO GADAGAMMA,** vide affidavit dated: 11.04.2023 before notary **B.M. CHANDRASHEKAR,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Syed Arif Abdul Rasheed, S/o Syed Abdul Rasheed, resident of No 19, Albert Street Richmond Town Bangalore-560025. have changed my name to SYED ARIF** Vide affidavit dated 10-04-2023 sworn before advocate & Notary Meer Hassan, Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **BHAVYA CHANDAN** Aged about 30 years, W/o CHANDAN HN, Residing at No.1186, 1st Floor, 8th A main Road 9th Block, 2nd stage, vinayaka Layout, sri Hanumagiri Temple, nagarabhavi, Bangaluru-560072, have changed my name from **BHAVYA** to **BHAVYA CHANDAN,** vide affidavit dated 10/4/2023 sworn to before V. Rangaraju advocate and notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, PRAKASH REDDY K L V F/o. KANGATI GAUTHAM REDDY (DOB : 27-03-2014) R/o : House No. A-90, Sri Nilayam, Chandramoueshwara Layout, Hunasamarahnahalli, Bengaluru-562157, have changed my minor Son's name from **KANGATI GAUTHAM REDDY to GAUTHAM KANGATI REDDY** vide affidavit dated 11-04-2023 sworn to before Notary Public **G.P. CHAYA**, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) ANNAYYA C** Residing at Flat No 204 Nakshathra Comfort 2nd Main Road Kaverinagar Kathriguppe Bengaluru-560085 have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) ANNAYYA C** to **(NEW NAME) C ANNAYYA NAIK** Vide Affidavit Dated 11/04/2023 Sworn Before Notary T.C.Thimmaraja, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **VIJAY MANGALORE KAMATH @ M VIJAY KAMATH @ VIJAY KAMATH M,** S/o Mangalore Vivekananda Kamath, aged about 38 years, R/of Door No. 383/70, College Road, Madikerei-571201, today at Bengaluru, do hereby declare that all the names i.e., **VIJAY MANGALORE KAMATH, VIJAY KAMATH M** and **M VIJAY KAMATH** and **VIJAY KAMATH** are one and the same and belongs to me only, henceforth I shall be known and called as **VIJAY KAMATH** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 11-04-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **S. VENKATASUBBA REDDY** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **OMKAR ARVIND KAUSALE,** S/o Arvind Gangadhar Kausale, aged about 21 years, R/at No. 6, 18th Cross, Kilari Road, Chikpete, Bengaluru-560053, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **OMKAR KAUSALE** to **OMKAR ARVIND KAUSALE,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **OMKAR ARVIND KAUSALE** only, vide affidavit dated 10-04-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **V. RANGARAMU** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Mr. VENKATESH MYLAVARAPU,** Aged about 42 years, Son of Late Seetharamaiah Mylavarapu, Residing at Flat No. 212, Sriven Exotica Apartment, MM Layout, Subash Nagar, Begur, Bangalore - 560 068, do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter's name from **LAKSHMI SHRUTHI MYLAVARAPU** to **SHRUTHI MYLAVARAPU** vide affidavit dated 10.04.2023 sworn to before B.M. Chandrashekar, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

We, **RACHANA REDDY** (Mother) and **VIKRAM CHANDRA MOHAN** (Father) R/at No.1151, Prestige Dejau, No.51, Promenade Road, Opp. Santhosh Hospital/ Coles Park, Frazer Town, Bangalore- 560005, have changed our minor Son's Name From **NEIL VIKRAM NAIR To NEIL VIKRAM REDDY NAIR** vide affidavit dated: 15/3/2023 Before Notary **Deepa. M** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Shahed Aman Khan, resident of No 154, 1st Floor, 12th Cross, 1st Block RT Nagar, VTC Bangalore North-560032, have changed my daughter's name from MANHA KHAN to HUDA AMAN** Vide affidavit dated 10-04-2023 sworn before advocate & Notary Meer Hassan, Bengaluru

CHANGE OF NAME

I, MULLA AKHIYAR AHAMED Son of Mulla Ali Saheb residing at No. 7-8, Muslim Mohalla, Shiroor, Shiruru (Udupi)- Karnataka 576228.have changed the name of my minor daughter SARAH aged 7 yrs and she shall hereafter be known as **SARAH MULLA** for all purposes. Vide Affidavit dated 11.04.2023 before Notary Chandrakala, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, NAGADATTA PRABHAKAR S/o. Prabhakar. B.S. Residing at No. 160, Achinthya, 2nd Floor, 4th Main, 6th Block, Near Vidyaranyapura Police Station, BEL Layout, Vidyaranyapura, Bangalore-560097 Declare That NAGADATHA and NAGADATTA P and NAGADATTA PRABHAKAR are one and the same person (i.e.my name) only. Henceforth, I will be known as NAGADATTA PRABHAKAR vide affidavit dated 06-04-2023 sworn before notary L. Puttaraju, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **RAMADEVI CHOWDA REDDY,** W/o Chowda Reddy, R/at #29, Sapthagiri, 1st Main, Wasa Layout, Near Ring Road, Doddanekkundi, Marathahalli, Bengaluru-560037, have changed my name to **RAMADEVI AMBATI,** vide affidavit dated 11-04-2023 before Notary **B.V. NAGABHUSHANA,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ANIL MELARCODE KESAVAN,** R/at No. G2, D Block, Vivarta Maagan, Tejswini Nagar, Doddakammanahalli, Bannerghatta Road, Bangalore-76 do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter's name from **NAKSHATHRA ANN ANIL** to **NAKSHATRA ANN ANIL,** henceforth she shall be known and called as **NAKSHATRA ANN ANIL** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 11th April 2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **T.R. Raghavendra Rao** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

We, **S D Ananda & Hamsaveni S M,** Residents of #Singrahalli, Hegganahalli Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural - 562110, have changed our daughter's name from **VIDYASHREE A** to **SIRI. A** vide affidavit dated 11.04.2023, sworn before notary D. Saralakumari, Bangalore.

AFFIDAVIT

I, **KR SRIDHARA,** S/o RAMA REDDY KY, Aged 55 years, Residing at House No. 1112, 14th Main, 20th Cross, Sector 3, HSR Layout, Bangalore - 560 102, do hereby declare that, **KR SRIDHARA @ KR SRIDHARA REDDY @ SRIDHAR KR @ KR SRIDHAR** are one the same person, belongs to my names only. Vide affidavit dated 05.04.2023 sworn to before B.M. Chandrashekar, Advocate & Notary Public, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SRIDHARA NEELAKANTESHA** aged about 41 Years, R/at No.1915, 8th Cross, Tank Road, Sanjeevini Nagar, Bengaluru- 560092, have changed my name to **SRIDHAR NEELAKANTESHWARA** vide affidavit dated: 10/4/2023 Before Notary **B.V.Nagabhushana** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Sangamesh Hadli** S/o Shanmukhappa Hadli, aged about 41 years. residing # 14, 2nd floor, 2 A Main Road, 2nd Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore, Karnataka-560010, I declare that below mentioned names **Sangamesh Hadli, Sangamesh, Sangamesh Shanmukhappa Hadli** and **Sangamesh S Hadli,** are refers to me only and one and the same person's names only. I further state that in future I will use my name as **B Sangamesh Hadli,** vide affidavit dated 10/4/2023 sworn to before Aruna V advocate and notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SHUBHA RAGHURAM,** residing at No. 89, 2nd Cross, MLA Layout, RMV II Stage, Sanjay Nagar, Bangalore-560094, have changed my name from **SHUBHA NARENDRANATH** to **SHUBHA RAGHURAM,** vide affidavit dated 11/4/2023 sworn to before Uday Kariyappa B G advocate and notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **VAISHNAVI D,** D/o B.V. Divakar & Bharathi L., R/o No. 4/1, Chowlugalli, Near Manak Steel, Cubbonpet, Bangalore-560 002, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **VAISHNAVI** to **VAISHNAVI .D,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **VAISHNAVI .D** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 11-04-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **V. Rajashekara** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SHALINI A RAO,** age 40 years, W/o Abhai S Rao, R/at No. 1110, A2 Block, Mahaveer Riviera, 24th Main Road, JP Nagar 5th Phase, Bangalore-560 078 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SHALINI PACHISIA** to **SHALINI A RAO,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SHALINI A RAO** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 24-03-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **B. CHITRA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **VEENA ARVIND KAUSALE** W/o Arvind Gangadhar Kausale, aged about 45 years, R/at No. 6, 18th Cross, Kilari Road, Chikpete, Bengaluru-560053, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **VEENA KAUSALE** to **VEENA ARVIND KAUSALE,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **VEENA ARVIND KAUSALE** only, vide affidavit dated 10-04-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **V. RANGARAMU** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Sri. RAVI KUMAR P M,** S/o. Sri P S Manjrekar, Aged about 37 years, Residing at No. 08, 3rd Main, Raghavendra Circle, Bangalore North - 560 016, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **RAVI KUMAR P M** to **RAVI MANJREKAR** and my Date of Birth is 19/04/1986. I state that **RAVI KUMAR P M** and **RAVI MANJREKAR** both the name is one and the same person that is me. Vide affidavit dated 10.04.2023 sworn to before Anitha Bai, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru,

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **Ms. PUSHPA BAI .K.S** D/o. Subash Chandra .R, W/o. Niranjan Prasad .D, Aged about 32 years, R/at No. 74, 9th Cross, 12th Main, Raghavendra Block, Srinagar, Bengaluru - 560 050, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **Pushpa Bai .K.S** to **Pushpa Niranjan Prasad** vide affidavit dated 11.4.2023 sworn to before Ramachandrappa C, Advocate & Notary Public, Government of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, SHEELA C B, D/o Basavaraju, R/o Chaluvanahalli Village, Arasikere Taluk, Hassan-573112, Karnataka have changed my name from SHEELA C B to JANAVI SANTHOSH vide affidavit dated 06-04-2023 before Notary H. H. Nagaraj, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **VEDAVALLI SUBRAMANIAN,** spouse of Late P. Subramanian resident of No. 184, 9th Cross, CIL Layout, Cholanayakana Halli, RT Nagar (Post), Bengaluru-560032 have changed my name from **VEDAVALLI SUBRAMANIAN** to **VEDA SUBRAMANIAN** vide Affidavit dated 31/03/2023 at Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I **LOKESH BABU B S** alias **LOKESH B S** Son of Sathyanarayana M resident of No.9, (948), 2nd Floor , 7th Main Raghavendra Block, Near Jalageramma Temple , Srinagar Bangalore , Karnataka - 560050 have changed my name and shall hereafter be known as **RITESH B S** for all purposes. Vide Affidavit dated 11.04.2023 before Notary Chandrakala, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) Service No. 622207-B,** Rank-EX-JWO, Dharm Pal of Unit: C/o AFRO, S/o. Late Tilak Ram, Residing at No. 305, Nilaya Apartment, Komaladevi Enclave, 2nd Cross, Vaderapura, Bengaluru-560063, State that I have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) DHARM PAL** to **(NEW NAME) DHARAM PAL** Vide affidavit Dated 10 April 2023 Sworn Before VI Addl Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **SUMANTH SHANBAG,** S/o Late Subba Rao, aged about 43 years, R/at Flat NO. 406, I Block, Mantri Alpyne Apartment, Banashankari 5th Stage, Bangalore-560 061, Karnataka, India do hereby declare that I have changed my daughter's name from **ANKITHA MYTHRI KUMAR** to **NIKITHAA SHANBAG,** henceforth she shall be known and called as **NIKITHAA SHANBAG** only for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 11th April 2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **D.K. RAMESHAPPA** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **ARVIND GANGADHAR KAUSALE** S/o Gangadhar Kausale, aged about 50 years, R/at No. 6, 18th Cross, Kilari Road, Chikpete, Bengaluru-560053, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **ARVIND KAUSALE** to **ARVIND GANGADHAR KAUSALE,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **ARVIND GANGADHAR KAUSALE** only, vide affidavit dated 10-04-2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary **V. RANGARAMU** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

I, **(OLD NAME) USHA SHIVAKUMAR,** residing at #10A, and 11A, Sree Chowdeshwari Nilaya, 2nd Cross, Subramanya Layout, Vijanapura, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bangalore-560016, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) USHA SHIVAKUMAR** to **(NEW NAME) TRIVENI.C** vide affidavit Dated 11/04/2023 sworn before Notary Meer Hassan, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME

We, (1) **P.G. DIWAKAR,** Aged about 43 years, (2) **SWAPNA .J,** W/o. P.G. Diwakar, Aged about 38 years, residing at No. 18, F No. 2nd Street Cross, Thoppa Mudaliar Street, Shivajinagar, Bengaluru - 560 001, do hereby declare that we have changed our daughter's name from **AISHANI .D** to **AISHANI DIWAKAR** vide affidavit dated 6.4.2023 sworn to before K.V. Bachi Reddy, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

Ravichandran

Director Gururaj Kulkarni has confirmed the development, and said he is working on the dates

KHUSHBU IN TALKS FOR RAVICHANDRAN'S UPCOMING LEGAL THRILLER

Khushbu

A SHARADHA

CRAZY Star Ravichandran is next working in a legal thriller, which will be helmed by director Gururaj Kulkarni. While the film will be officially launched on April 21, the makers revealed that they are approaching noted actor Khushbu to play the lead alongside Ravichandran.

The Ravichandran-Khushbu duo have previously worked in *Ranadheera, Anjada Gandu, and Yuga Purusha*. Khushbu was also part of Ravichandran's directorial, Shanti Kranti (1991). The actor was last seen in the Kannada film, *Naanalla* (2011).

"The Kannada industry has been wanting to watch this hit jodi back on the big screen, and this subject has brought that opportunity. I have done my initial discussions with Khusbhu, and we are currently working on the dates. An official confirmation will be made from our end once the actor gets committed to the project," says Gururaj.

Gururaj, in his previous interview with *CE*, had mentioned that Ravichandran believed the movie will allow him to connect with today's generation.

Kabzaa gets an OTT release date

The film will premiere on April 14 in Kannada, Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, and Hindi

CE FEATURES

UPENDRA'S *Kabzaa*, directed by R Chandru also starring Kichcha Sudeep in a pivotal role, and Shivarajkumar in a cameo appearance, hit screens on March 17. Now, the film will be released on Prime Video on April 14. Apart from Kannada, the Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, and Hindi versions will also be available on the streamer.

Set in the pre-independence period, in 1942, *Kabzaa* narrates the story of a simple man, who, owing to circumstances, transforms into the most dreaded gangster in the country. Arkeshwara (Upendra), the younger son of a slain freedom fighter, loses his elder brother to violence. The familial losses trigger a menacing rage in him, and he ends up becoming the undisputed king of the underworld. The film also stars Shriya Saran, Kamarajan, Anup Revanna, Kabir Duhan Singh, Danish Akhtar Saifi, Pradeep Rawat, Jayaprakash, and Kota Srinivas among others.

Kabzaa has Shivakumar's artwork, music by Ravi Basrur, and cinematography and editing by AJ Shetty and Mahesh Reddy, respectively. The stunts in the film are choreographed by Ravi Varma, Vikram Mor, and Vijay.

Ragini Dwivedi, Chandan Shetty groove to *Tun Tun*

Chandan Shetty and Ragini Dwivedi

CE FEATURES

POPULAR rapper and composer Chandan Shetty is all set to make a transition as an actor in Sujay Shashtry's upcoming directorial, *Elra Kaleliyatte Kaala*. The makers released a promotional song ahead of the release. Titled *Tun Tun*, the song features Chandan, and Ragini Dwivedi Composed by Chandan, he has also sung the track along with Mangli, and has dance choreography by Murali master. Speaking on the sidelines of the song release, Chandan said that he has been a big fan of Ragini Dwivedi since her first film, *Kempegowda*, and it was a pleasure to share screen space with her. "*Elra Kaleliyatte Kaala* is my first film, and I hope a lot of encouragement comes my way," he says.

Wishing Chandan the best of luck, Ragini said she enjoys the rapper's music, and is glad to be collaborating with him. Archana Kottige stars as the female lead of the comedy drama, which is set in the 80s and 90s. The film also stars Mandya Ramesh, Manju Pavagada, and Rakesh Purjari among others.

Backed by Usha Govindraju under Gokul Entertainers, the film has music composed by Praveen and Pradeep. The makers are looking for a June release.

COMEDY IS USUALLY A DIFFICULT GENRE: RISHI

CE FEATURES

RISHI is gearing up to tickle your funny bones in *Ramana Avatara*, and the makers recently released the teaser of the Vikas Pampathy directorial. *Ramana Avatara* is the journey of a guy named Rama Krishna who wants to be a local political leader, and goes through a series of uncontrollable situations, which ends up in him learning the lessons of life and becoming a true leader.

Talking about the film, Rishi says, "Comedy is usually a difficult genre. It can have a double meaning. It can be insult comedy. But director Vikas Pampapathy is an example of how comedy can be done without insulting anyone. I had a lot of fun making this movie, and it was a project that made me happy."

"In everyone's life there will be one Ramayana going on," says Vikas, adding, "We will have a friend like Hanuman, a brother like Lakshmana, a lover like Sita and problems like Ravana to face. This film is a current generation film with clean comedy. The film has been shot majorly in Udupi and coastal regions."

The film now in the post-production stage, and makers are targeting June as the release date. *Ramana Avatar,* produced by Amrej Suryavanshi, also stars Pranita Subhash, Shubra Aiyappa, Anirudha Acharya. The film's music is scored by Judah Sandy and the cinematography is by Vishnu Prasad and Sameer Deshpande.

Rishi and Pranitha Subhash

Michelle joins Tom Hanks to star in *Here*

CE FEATURES

MICHELLE Dockery, Four-time Emmy nominee, has joined the cast of *Here*. The film is Robert Zemeckis' adaptation of Richard McGuire's graphic novel of the same name. Director Robert Zemeckis, writer Eric Roth and actor Tom Hanks who worked together in *Forrest Gump* have joined hands for Here, after 30 years.

Here is an acclaimed graphic novel that tells the story of a single room over an expansive period of time. The novel delved into the stories of the people who occupied the room from the past and into the distant future.

It may be noted that the concept of *Here* sounds very similar to the yesteryear Tom Hanks film *Cloud Atlas,* which also spanned a great period and featured the interlinked stories of different characters. *Here* will be produced by Tom Hanks and Gary Goetzman's production company Playtone.

'My father taught me independence, fearlessness, and loyalty to self'

Shruti Haasan talks to us about finding light in the shadows, wresting back the narrative, and why she believes she is a one-stop shop for her audience

AVINASH RAMACHANDRAN

DWEEB. Weird. Feminist. These are not just arbitrary words, but tags that actor-musician Shruti Haasan gives herself in the course of this interview. She also calls herself 'The Shruti Buffet' considering the various avenues she uses to express her creative artistry. "Some like me for *Ramayya Vastavayya*. Some like *Best Seller.* Some like me for the music, and some others relate to what I post on social media. Interestingly, I saw how a new generation of teenagers celebrated 3 in a recent re-release in the Telugu states. I suppose I'm like a buffet in that sense," says a jubilant Shruti having added one more label to her already multi-hyphenated resume.

Asking her questions can be rather unnerving on account of her intimidating resting face. However, a few questions in, and you see that it's as a result of preconceptions. Shruti admits that her fiercely independent or opinionated was once misconstrued as arrogance, but that, now, people see her for who she is. "They realise I am a dweeb. They know I am not arrogant but just weird," says Shruti, who attributes social media to giving her the platform to put herself out there.

If social media gave Shruti a new platform to express herself creatively through music, art, and memes, it also gave her a legion of fans for just being 'real'. "I used to be guarded and didn't let go of my inhibitions. During the lockdown, I realised a lot of people didn't know a lot about me. Still, people were writing all kinds of untrue news articles about me. I got tired and exhausted, and realised only I could change the narrative about me. If people listen to my song, read my lyrics, come across a silly post or meme, and say, 'Aha! She gets it!' that's good enough for me. I'm really excited about this phase of my career because I can finally articulate my wants."

While there is no doubt that Shruti is one of the more unconventional stars of Indian cinema, her filmography is populated with rather mainstream choices. While she did an odd 3 in Tamil or a D-Day in Hindi, more often than not, her choices were big star vehicles. However, even in these films where she did do the template song-and-dance routines, Shruti found roles that weren't just run of the mill. "Could I have pushed and worked towards even better characterisations? Yes. But in terms of economics, it is only the blockbusters that cinema values and I have been part of major ones in Hindi, Tamil, and Telugu. I knew my roles in Waltair Veerayya and Veera Simha Reddy weren't going to be groundbreaking, but I had fun playing them. *Salaar* is a step in the right direction because of the intelligence in the writing. My role is pivotal to the story's progress," says Shruti, who has a twinkle in her eye as we talk about her next international production, *The Eye*. "It was an emotionally ripping experience. It was a beautiful exhaustion that I last felt while I did 3 and D-Day."

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Shruti strongly believes it is not enough to hone artistic skills but also work on the self because the soul is the vessel that produces the art. It is probably why a lot of her songs are about her journey and finding a way to let her inner voices ring out loud. "When I am writing a song, it is for another part of me to read it now, or even 30 years later. My writing comes from different fragments inside me. Of course, I have been an open book, but there are sides of me that I don't show anyone. They are not dark or evil, but just afraid and nervous. That is why my songs are autobiographical in nature, and while performing them on stage, I tap into my acting lessons to bring out these different personalities. Some musicians create a circus or a carnival that everyone wants to go in. My music is like a cave that not everyone would like to visit, but I found my light in those shadows," says the musician.

It is the voices from these shadows that Shruti believes need to be amplified. Known for her candid conversations about mental health, and women empowerment, Shruti believes feminism is the way forward and not just an optional path. However, she is aware of how it is anything but easy for the ones fighting the good fight. "We are very careful about what we are speaking, but we are not having conversations with people with opposing or dissenting opinions. Many are just thriving in echo chambers. There are a lot of conversations about society, feminism, and gender identity, but are we really listening? When all of us are talking, who is listening then?" asks Shruti reiterating how feminism is being bashed as a result of being misconstrued as propagating anti-men sentiment. "The biggest influences in my life have been the most amazing men, starting from my father. He has been a great role model for a daughter. He taught me independence, fearlessness, and loyalty to the self. Feminism means different things today, but from what I know, I am a feminist, and there are no two ways about it," signs off Shruti.